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Friendly's Classic Set For Crestview CC...

## Here Comes The LPGA!!!

In a few days, the thoroughbreds of the LPGA will come trotting into Crestview Country Club for the Second Annual Friendly's Classic. They'll be playing for a half-million bucks in prize money. Along with them will come legions of golfing faithful, looking for great competition and for a great day of fun and entertainment.

Many people associated with the LPGA and Crestview, along with a slew of volunteers, strive to provide the full package for the players and the payers. Silvia Bertolaccini is the tournament director. It's her second year at the helm. Last year's extravaganza was a revelation of sorts. It showed her some things. She has learned those lessons well.

"We got a lot of feedback from spectators at last year's event," she notes. "They suggested some things that would make the tournament even better. We listened carefully. We also did a survey. That survey focused on concessions and how to make them better. It also took a close look at streamlining fan access.

"One thing we will definitely upgrade this year is the availability of water out on the course, not just in the area of the clubhouse," she smiled.

By that she means that even spectators adventurous enough to follow their favorite player way out on the back 40 will be able to get water any time they want it.

The shuttle, on air-conditioned buses from the Big "E," will stay the same, according to Bertolaccini. "That worked well. People didn't seem to mind it," she said.

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SALLY RACQUE (center) is the operations manager for the Friendly's Classic at Crestview Country Club. She is pictured with two of the 900 volunteers who helped out last year. The LPGA event will begin on Monday, July 15th.

## A "Devine" Rotarian



THE AGAWAM ROTARY CLUB recently honored AAN staff photographer Jack Devine "For Outstanding Service to Agawam Citizens as a news photographer." Presenting Jack with his award is Rotary President Kathy Ayre (right). Looking on is Jack's wife, Margaret, who conspired with Rotary members to keep Jack in the dark about the award. Jack was seen running out of *The AAN's* offices to get over to Storowton Tavern to meet Margaret for what he thought was a luncheon with people from her office. Rotarians were waiting for Jack in their meeting room to treat him and Margaret to lunch. The staff of *The AAN* extends its sincere appreciation for the recognition Jack received and for their gracious hospitality to the Devines. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## Jr. Women Help Beautification Committee



AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB MEMBERS Joyce Bressemer-Granger (left) and Dorene Ayotte assist Agawam Beautification Committee member Sasha Zebryk with the planter at the Veterans' Green that the Junior Women's Club adopted. RELATED STORY IN FAMILIES SECTION. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



## LPGA - from Page 1...

A few more bleachers will be added for the spectators' comfort. And concession stands will be set up at strategic positions on the course, so the folks will never be far away from that "dog," burger, or soft drink.

## An Exciting Addition This Year...

There will be an exciting addition to the venue this year, according to Bertolaccini. "We are going to have a special area containing a Golf Village. In that village, there will be an interactive area sponsored by Fran Johnson's/Nevada Bob's. It will make a day at the Friendly's Classic even more memorable for the entire family," she said.

In the village, three computerized golf stations will be set up. You drive a ball into a net and a computer analyzes certain relevant aspects of your swing. Then it thinks a bit and decides how long you drove the ball. The computer will also analyze your swing mechanics, then compare it to the players competing in the Classic, as well as other people like PGA pros Greg Norman or Jack Nicklaus. That way, you'll discover whether you're a whacker or a hacker.

You will also be able to sample different clubs from different manufacturers on the computer course. You just might find the right club for your game.

The village will also include a putting competition. Prizes will be awarded for winners in the different contests offered there. It only costs a dollar to sample the village wares.

Bertolaccini is excited about the players who'll be showing up. "We have Dottie Pepper and Helen Alfredson (1992 LPGA rookie of the year) back. And, of course, Becky Iverson will return to defend her title."

She is also heralding the appearance of last year's LPGA U.S. Open champ, Annika Sorenstam. It will be her first appearance at the Friendly's Classic. Other notables on the card include Val Skinner, Michelle McGann (she of the chic chapeau), Pat Bradley (former LPGA U.S. Open and LPGA champion), and crowd favorite Kris Tschetter. Fifteen of the tour's top 25 money-winners are in the field.

## Same Set-Up At Crestview...

The set-up on the 200-acre Crestview Country Club will be essentially the same. "The pros told me that it was relatively easy the first day. But as the tournament progressed, the course played

tougher and tougher," Bertolaccini said. "One change this year will be on the greens. They will be much faster."

Always eager to discover ways to make the Classic as good as it can be, she took in the Canon GHO men's tournament several weeks ago. "It's hard to believe, but I didn't see much golf down there. I was more interested in the action off the course than on it," Bertolaccini said.

She checked out the GHO's marketing strategy — sky boxes (three new ones have been added to the Friendly's Classic), the interactive set-up, concessions, and the contrasting colors on the sponsor's displays (so they could be clearly differentiated from one another).

She even studied the logistics of the big semis trucking in the supplies. "The key to a successful tournament is in the smooth and professional production of it and attention to details," she said.

Last year, they welcomed 50,000-plus spectators. "That was great for a first-year event," Bertolaccini noted. "This time out, we'd like to see somewhere between 55,000 and 60,000 show up."

She feels it can happen. "The LPGA tournament up at Stratton in Vermont is no more. People from the Albany, New York area have been calling us for tickets. Requests for tickets from the local community are also strong. And they always increase as the tournament draws closer."

One of the reasons for the growing interest, according to Bertolaccini, is familiarity. "Last year, many people didn't know what to expect from an event such as this. Now they know what it's all about and see what a good time it can be."

All of the preparation for this year started shortly after the end of last year's Friendly's Classic. Bertolaccini noted that she has plenty of help getting things up and running. "Sally Racque and Paula Kobus are my two right-hand people. And during the tournament (including 900 volunteers), we have about 1,000 people out there to make sure it all goes according to plan." Then she added, "Let's hope it doesn't rain."

The tournament will run from July 15th-21st. Prices for the five days look like this:

**Monday, July 15th**, Pro-Am and qualifier, free; **Tuesday, July 16th**, practice rounds, Merrill Lynch Shoot-Out and junior clinic, \$10; **Wednesday, July 17th**, Classic Pro-Am, \$10; **Thursday, July 18th**, first round, \$12; **Friday, July 19th**, second round, \$12; **Saturday, July 20th**, third round, \$12; and **Sunday, July 21st**, championship round and awards ceremony, \$15.



**BECKY IVERSON** will be back to defend her LPGA Friendly's Golf Classic title she won at Crestview Country Club in 1995. All the excitement kicks-off on Monday, July 15th, with first round play in the LPGA event beginning Thursday, July 18th.

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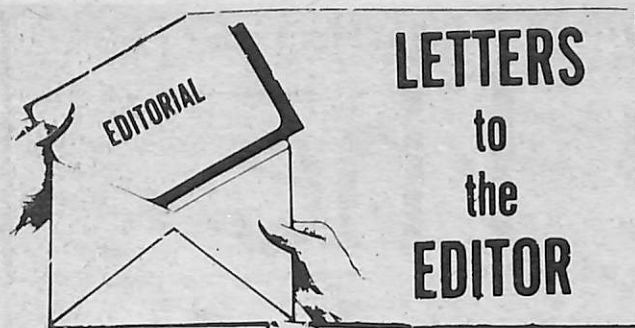
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## Middle School Band Instructor Is A Great Influence On Pupils

### To The Editor:

In June, we attended the final concert performed by the sixth grade Middle School band. We were in awe of this band — a group of children who had never played a musical instrument before entering fifth grade.

There they were, on stage, making beautiful music together. They displayed a poise and confidence years ahead of their time.

Our daughter, Jessica, has been a member of the band for the past two years. She has grown up a lot because of this experience. Performing for the public and in competition has given her a great deal of self-esteem.

The band instructor, Mr. Longstreeth, has been a positive influence on Jessica. She has a great deal of respect for him. Even at the young age of 12, she realizes the amount of work, patience, and understanding his job requires.

As our children grow, we hope during their schooling they will meet an educator who will make a difference in their lives; one teacher who shows the child they are special and can achieve great things if they just try.

We believe Mr. Longstreeth is that person in Jessica's life. We are thrilled she had the opportunity to have had him as her band instructor.

Mr. Longstreeth, we thank you for what you've given our daughter — a love of good music and a sense of self-worth.

What a great gift!

Sincerely,  
Joe and Connie Stano  
Agawam

## Cub Scouts Pack 75 Thanks Businesses For Donations

### To The Editor:

The members of Cub Scout Pack 75 of Sacred Heart Church recently held their ninth annual Record Hop at the Springfield Turnverein in Agawam. The Turnverein donates the use of its hall every year.

Jall Hallbauer (Cubmaster), Nancy Hallbauer (Chairperson), and Cheryl Fenney (Treasurer) organize this event every year as a fundraiser for the Pack. Local businesses show their support by giving donations which help make the dance a great success.

Cub Scout Pack 75 would like to show its deep appreciation to the following businesses:

C&N Ceramics, J&N Hallbauer, Alvin's, Games & Lanes, Bruno's, Fran's Restaurant, Milton Bradley, Agawam Flower Shop, Gino's Package Store, Vicki's Hair Salon, Feeding Hills Public Market, Dave's Soda & Pet Food City, Lily of the Valley Flower Shop, Friendly's, Christo's, and E.B.'s.

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Partner's Restaurant, Country Flower Shop, Bradley Aero Services, and Agawam Barber Shop.

Cub Pack 75 would also like to thank the people who came to the dance this year in support of the Pack.

Cub Scout Pack 75  
Sacred Heart, Feeding Hills

## "Friends" Of Senior Center Thank Corporate Sponsors

### To The Editor:

The Friends of the Agawam Senior Center would like to take this opportunity to thank those individuals and businesses who have supported "Friends" as corporate sponsors. Their sponsorships have enabled us to continue funding programs and projects for the Agawam Senior Center to benefit our senior residents.

We gratefully acknowledge their support and salute the following:

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Thank you,  
Friends of the Agawam Senior Center  
Joanne H. Willis, Membership Chairman

## Resident Is Angered Over Camp Transportation Issue

### To The Editor:

In response to the letter written by Sandy Gingras to *The Agawam Advertiser News* recently, I must absolutely agree with everything she said. I had written a letter to *The AAN* a month or so ago when Ms. Keller had spoken to the Council on the issue of integration, fee increases, and transportation. I had written that I was against the whole proposal.

I had hoped that more people would've let their opinions be known at that time; unfortunately, I was alone. At the time that Ms. Keller spoke to the Council, one of the things that she had mentioned was that there were only approximately 20 children taking the bus in each session. She said that didn't warrant enough interest to provide bus transportation.

She also said that bus transportation would be cancelled if there weren't enough children who would need transportation. "Enough" is a very vague word; how many children does it take to be enough? Sandy had mentioned in her letter, much to my surprise, that there were sign-up sheets for parents in need of transportation. I never even saw those sheets! How well were they hidden, because the parents I knew who signed up their children didn't see those sheets either!

So therefore, I wonder just how many people actually saw them. In my opinion, their minds were made up that bus transportation wasn't going to

be available, no matter how many people signed up for it. Does anyone know the actual count of parents who did sign up for transportation? It seems that they just put those sign-up sheets there to make it look good.

How many working parents do you know who can adjust their working schedule around 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.? You might be able to adjust your working schedule to drop your child off at 9:00 a.m., but cannot get out of work until 5:00 p.m.; who would bring my child home? Or maybe I could adjust my schedule to pick my child up around 3:30 p.m., but that would mean I would have to go into work at 7:00 a.m.; who would bring my child to camp?

This is a very difficult situation for the working parent who must struggle just so her child can enjoy camp this summer. My daughter enjoys going to Perry Lane Camp and has enjoyed so far the past couple of years. I feel my child shouldn't be penalized because I have to work and, therefore, must make all the effort I can to ensure she enjoys her summer.

Now let's take a look at who is running our programs in town — OUTSIDERS, that's who. First, our athletic director, then the Head of Parks and Rec, and now our new Superintendent. Why are outsiders being hired for jobs, when we have qualified in-town people who have applied for them and who have an interest in the town?

I am not saying that these people or any other outsider employed by the town wouldn't do a good job; however, that's all they'd be doing is just their job. What's happening in our town reminds me of a situation that happened with Scott Paper Co. not too long ago.

This big corporation was financially in trouble and about to go under. They hire someone to come in to get the company back on its feet. This new CEO fires thousands of employees and does what he has to in order to get the job done. Well, a fine job he did, but what about all the people which his decisions affected?

The point I'm trying to make is that it seems to me the same type of situation is happening here; the town is being run like a corporation. Outsiders are being hired to do a great job financially, but what about all the people that are being affected by their decisions to get the job done? Is this how we want to treat the people of this town, like employees? Is all this turmoil worth the couple of dollars it will save?

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## LETTERS - from Page 4...

How about the transportation that is needed for the once-a-week field trips the campers go on? Buses are still needed for these trips. Why can't some sort of deal be worked out? It wasn't like we were getting this transportation for free. I was paying \$100 for the summer to have my child take the bus.

How many children do we need to get these buses running again? I find myself in the same situation as Sandy. What can we do? We need more parents to speak up, because one or two of us cannot make a difference.

I would like to hear from the parents who would like to see the buses running again, and maybe we could get together and do something about it.

Please, I would like to hear from as many people as possible by contacting me at 789-4425. Voices, many voices will make a difference!

Concerned Agawam Taxpayer,  
Laurie Littlefield

## EMT Team & Police Officer Thanked For Assistance

### To The Editor:

My family and I wish to express our gratitude to the EMT team of Scott Mitchell and Norm Colburn, and police officer Gary O'Brien for their prompt and efficient response to my emergency call on Monday, June 24th.

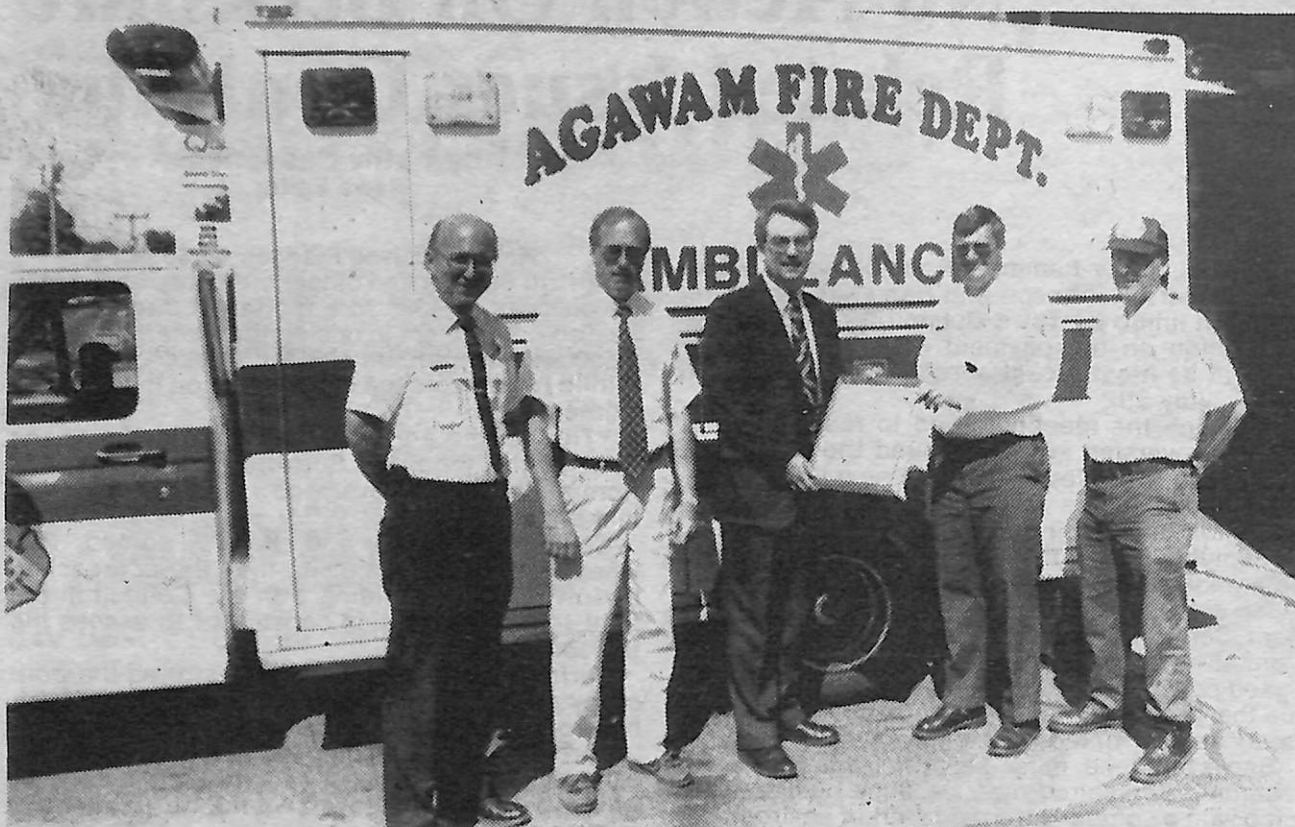
We would also like to thank all of the neighbors and friends who have expressed concern for my condition and offered their help.

Thanks to the quality services available in this town, as well as its caring citizens, I am recovering well.

Sincerely,  
Leo Tonelli  
Feeding Hills

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## Town Recognizes Emergency Medical Services



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON presents a proclamation declaring Emergency Medical Services Week in Agawam. The proclamation recognizes the high quality of EMS care provided by members of the Agawam Fire Department. Looking on, from left - Deputy Chief Stephen Martin, Chief David Pisano, Mayor Johnson, Lt./EMT Nick Demko (receiving the proclamation), and Training Officer Michael Mercadante. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### LEGAL NOTICE

### TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, on THURSDAY, July 18, 1996, at 6:30 P.M. for all parties interested in the appeal of EDWARD AND PATRICIA FOLEY who are seeking a

Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7, Paragraph B of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for an addition at the premises identified as 43 CENTER STREET.

Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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## Council Again Refuses To Vote...

# No Action On Berkshire Tax Pact—Related Issues Continue To Swirl

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

The tax treaty hammered out between Mayor Christopher C. Johnson and Berkshire Power remains in limbo as Town Council refused to take any action on the payment in-lieu-of-tax agreement at its most recent special meeting held on Friday, July 5th.

Although the meeting failed to resolve any of the controversies swirling around the siting of a power plant on Moylan Lane, a new wrinkle has been added to the fabric. Only 10 of the councilors will be deciding the fate of the tax plan.

Moments before the roll call vote was taken to determine whether the Council would even consider discussing the tax agreement, Councilor Kent Servis announced that he would abstain from all votes or discussions relating to the proposed power plant. Servis has expressed support for the power plant project, but not for the tax treaty as negotiated by the Mayor.

Servis said he must abstain from all issues regarding Berkshire Power because he has taken a job with a company that will market environmental control products to power plants under construction in the United States and Canada. To avoid any possibility of conflict of interest, Servis said he will abstain from voting on the issues surrounding Berkshire Power and will absent himself from Council chambers during any discussion of the project.

Voting 5-4, the Council refused to consider the tax plan that would bring the town \$1.2 million escalating at three percent per year for 40 years.

Voting in favor of leaving the tax plan on the table were Councilors David Skolnick, Gary Suffriti, Thomas Ennis, Joseph Langone, and Dennis Perry. Voting to open discussion on the tax contract were Council President Nancy Thompson, Vice President Jill Simpson, and Councilors George Bitzas and Christian Quatrone. Councilor Edward Caba was absent, and Servis abstained.

Despite receiving a memo from Johnson agreeing to several amendments proposed by Councilors Servis, Perry, Langone, Ennis, and Mrs. Simpson, and despite a settlement agreement between Berkshire Power and the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Council left the tax plan sitting on the table.

In the wake of Johnson's second refusal to provide the Council with the funding to hire an independent consultant to review the in-lieu-of-tax agreement, Suffriti said he has gone ahead with his plan to hire a consultant using private donations.

## Have Received Pledges Of \$900...

Suffriti said he and other councilors had received pledges of \$900 in a matter of days and expected no problem in raising the remainder of the \$2,500 needed to hire Newton Assessor Stephen Cirillo (who wrote the state policy on in-lieu-of-tax agreements).

"The people are outraged that the Mayor has refused the funding," Suffriti said. "I'm hearing from people I don't even know who are calling to make a donation."

Councilors Perry and Servis agreed that wherever they go in public, they are approached by town residents siding with the Council in the fight to hire an outside consultant to assess the tax contract.

Suffriti said Cirillo had already started the work of reviewing the contract and would likely finish his work within two weeks.

Perry said the majority of the Council could send the funding request back to the Mayor after 30 days, and the Mayor would be obliged to release the funding.

Suffriti said the Council's actions in calling for an independent consultant have nothing to do with playing political games.

"I really want to be sure that this is as good an agreement as the town could get," Suffriti said. "This is the only community in the state that offers all the amenities of gas and power lines and the water system infrastructure needed for the power plant on one site. That site is worth more than gold."

Berkshire Power has stated that they will file for a manufacturer's tax exemption if the tax agreement is not approved by the Town Council (in time to be ratified by the State Legislature before their session is adjourned on July 31st).

According to the information compiled by Berkshire Power, the company would pay only \$285,000 to the town in real estate taxes if they receive the manufacturer's tax exempt status.

Ennis said if Berkshire Power files for the tax exemption, he will introduce legislation at the Council declaring that the company is not welcome in Agawam.

Ennis said he would support the power plant if more money was offered in the tax plan and if Berkshire Power would appease the neighbors (who believe their property values will fall if the plant is built). Ennis said other power plants have purchased neighboring homes.

Perry said the tax plan would have been defeated if it had come up for a vote at the special

meeting.

"I was in favor of tabling the contract because we need an expert to tell us what's good and what's bad about that contract," Perry said.

Furthermore, Perry criticized the provisions for spending the \$7.4 million reached as part of a settlement of the dispute between the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and Berkshire Power.

## Under The Terms Of The Agreement...

Under the terms of the agreement, the town will receive a total of \$7.4 million over 40 years. The money will be spent as follows: five percent for beautification in the industrial area; 10 percent for town-wide beautification; 40 percent for capital improvements to town and school recreational facilities and recreational equipment; and 45 percent for capital improvements and materials acquisition for the Agawam Public Library.

Perry said the funds should be administered by a committee made up of Town Council members, School Committee members, and community representatives to decide where the money is spent.

"What about the Senior Center and the needs of the school system?" Perry asked.

Other provisions of the ZBA's settlement agreement include 45 conditions placed on the project as suggested by the board in its majority opinion in January.

Among the conditions Berkshire has agreed to abide by are a reduced smokestack height of 125 feet; state-of-the-art noise abatement; mitigation of the visual effects of the plant through screening and plantings; hazardous material training and additional fire safety equipment for the Fire Department; and quarterly air emissions reports to the ZBA and the Health Department.

In a separate deal worked out to include amendments to the payment in-lieu-of-tax plan (as suggested by several town councilors), three changes have been made to the original agreement negotiated between Johnson and Berkshire Power.

In the amended tax plan, the town is granted the sole right to terminate the agreement after 20 years and decide whether to continue the agreement or to begin taxing the power plant as other industry is taxed.

A reopener clause has been added so that either the town or Berkshire Power could reopen negotiations to consider mutually agreed upon modifications at any time during the term of the payment of the in-lieu-of-tax agreement. A provision has also been added to acknowledge the settlement agreement between Berkshire Power and the ZBA.

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## State Senate And Melconian Approve School CORI Checks

Senate Assistant Majority Leader Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has announced Senate passage of legislation allowing Massachusetts school districts access to criminal records of school employees.

The bill, designed to protect both students and employees, contains an amendment sponsored by Melconian and Senate Minority Leader Brian Lees (R-East Longmeadow) allowing schools to assign rights of access to criminal offender record information (CORI) to an accredited credit bureau.

In addition, the amendment makes the law applicable to all employees, not just those applying for specific positions within the school district. Melconian's amendment further strengthens the bill by providing a buffer between the school superintendent and its employees.

"I am excited about this legislation because it will better ensure that all school employees are right for the job and positive role models for our kids," Melconian said.

Currently, there is little a school district can find out about employee criminal records. This legislation would provide, without cost to the districts, the ability to find CORI information on applicants and current employees. The bill, with amendment, is waiting for final House of Representatives approval.

## Fire Wise...

by Fire Chief David Pisano

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## Registry Of Motor Vehicles Offers A Variety Of Plates

The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles offers a variety of license plates to Massachusetts motorists, from those for veterans to the popular "whale tail" plate. The Registry offers more than 100 different plates, many of which are used to identify various kinds of vehicles — buses, taxis, livery (limousines), motorcycles, mobile homes, commercial vehicles, antique, and others.

There are 31 specialty plates, including the standard vanity plate which costs \$65 (\$35 more than the standard license plate). Many specialty plates are reserved for specific people. Only former prisoners of war are entitled to the POW license plate, and only recipients of the Purple Heart may have the appropriate plate. "Celtics" or "Bruins" plates are available only to team employees.

According to Representative Daniel F. Keenan, the special plates prevent a win/win situation for both motorists and the Bay State.

"The extra revenue generated by these custom plates is funneled back to the state's highway fund," stated Rep. Keenan. "In certain cases, motorists are, in effect, donating to worthy causes."

The veterans' plate costs \$70, with the extra \$45 going to the Holyoke and Chelsea Soldiers' Homes. The sale of these plates has raised \$625,000 for the soldiers' homes since 1992.

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## Representative Keenan Announces Hunter Education Requirement

In an effort to keep his constituents informed of changes within the Commonwealth regarding first-time hunters and requirements as outlined by the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, State Representative Daniel F. Keenan has issued the following public service announcement.

Beginning on July 1, 1996, all first-time hunters in the Commonwealth will be required to show a certificate of graduation from a hunter education program or a previous year's hunting license. This requirement is intended to ensure that first-time hunters will have an understanding of outdoor safety, basic proficiency in handling firearms, an understanding of wildlife habits, and a basic knowledge of the many laws and regulations which restrict the activities of hunters.

Anyone seeking to purchase a hunting license after July 1st will be asked to produce either a hunter education certificate or a license from a previous year. Hunters having had a license in Massachusetts or any other state are advised that they should have a hunter education card or a previous license with them when going to buy a license.

Sales agents will be required to check these documents and record the license number and year or the hunter education certificate number and year of issuance in the section marked "original license number/class" on the license. Persons buying licenses as gifts must provide proof that the intended license holder has completed a hunter education course or has held a previous license.

Hunter education courses are offered at no cost through the Division of Law Enforcement. Information about upcoming courses may be obtained by calling (508) 792-7434 or (617) 727-6323.

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Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

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Organization Liaison  
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations  
One Renaissance Boulevard  
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the request for any interview. The organization will, in turn, notify the interviewee of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

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## Bike Path Still On Target For River Road Area

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

No matter what your job is, everyone has a pet project. For Deborah Dachos, Agawam's Director of Planning and Development, that special project is the proposed Connecticut RiverWalk and Bikeway that will link five riverfront communities with a multi-use trail designed to offer recreational opportunities to walkers, cyclists, skaters, and people in wheelchairs.

More than 20 years after a bike path and walkway along the riverfront was proposed by the Agawam Department of Public Works, the plan is becoming a reality under the auspices of the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission.

With Ms. Dachos serving as the RiverWalk Committee Chairwoman, representatives of the five RiverWalk communities, the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, state agencies, and private environmental and recreational advocacy groups have been meeting since the spring of 1994 to work on funding, maintenance, security plans, and design issues.

Funding for the construction and design of Phase I of the Agawam portion of the trail between the riverbank and River Road from Main Street to the South End Bridge has already been secured from the Federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act. The project, which includes a bike path loop on River Road, School Street, and Main Street, has received a favorable ranking for funding in the next round of ISTEAS grants, Ms. Dachos said.

In the spring, a series of three walks along the River Road portion of the bike trail was held for residents to view the preliminary design plans and to offer input into the ongoing design process.

### Identifying Residents' Concerns...

Ms. Dachos said the walks were helpful in identifying residents' concerns and that some of the issues raised were being incorporated in the next step of the design process.

"We're trying to bring the bike path down to



**LOCAL RESIDENTS**, including DPW Superintendent John P. Stone (second from left), survey the landscape on River Road that is designated for the proposed Connecticut RiverWalk and Bikeway. The first section slated for construction, the section along River Road from the South End Bridge to Borgatti Park, is expected to be completed in 1998. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

Borgatti Park on the west side of River Road so that people could park there, and we've asked for enhanced sidewalks," Ms. Dachos said. "Also, we're asking that the parking lot on River Road north of Leonard Street be separated from the street with a berm and more landscaping."

Ms. Dachos said the state has agreed to include a four-foot wide bike lane on both sides of the road in their resurfacing plans for River Road.

When completed, the bike path will be safer than the existing bike lanes and will incorporate some of the most scenic views along the riverbank.

The first section slated for construction, the section along River Road from the South End Bridge to Borgatti Park, is expected to be completed in 1998.

Eventually, the RiverWalk will run from

Longmeadow to Chicopee and will pass through Agawam, West Springfield, and Springfield in an 18.6 mile trail, with an estimated price tag of \$10.4 million.

"People will have the opportunity to hop on their bikes in Agawam, ride to Springfield for lunch, and then visit Riverfront Park or the Basketball Hall of Fame," Ms. Dachos said. "This is such a positive project that once it's constructed, people are going to wonder how they got along without it and they're going to want more. There aren't many places where you can experience the beauty of the river. It's a great asset for the community to have all that waterfront property."

Ms. Dachos said there would be public hearings held over the summer to display the revised designs and to give residents an opportunity to comment on the plans.

## Melconian Announces Bill On Health Care Passes

Senate Assistant Majority Leader Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has announced Senate passage, 30-6, of the Health Care Access Bill, which would provide prescription drug assistance to the elderly, and health insurance for many of the uninsured children in the state.

"I am delighted that we in the Senate have passed meaningful health care legislation that will give valuable health care assistance to both our youngest and oldest citizens," Melconian said. "Health care is a fundamental right of citizenship, and no one should be denied access to this basic need."

The legislation, which passed the House in a slightly different version last month, will now move to conference committee to reconcile the minor differences in the two bills.

The bill is expected to reach Governor Weld's desk sometime this week. Weld has said he will veto the bill, but both legislative branches appear to have the two-thirds majorities needed to override a veto.

The Health Care Access Bill, sponsored in the Senate by Mark Montigny (D-New Bedford), would offer a subsidy to low-income seniors on Medicare who find that "Medigap" coverage is not sufficient to cover their prescription bills. Melconian, who has long championed prescription assistance, was delighted.

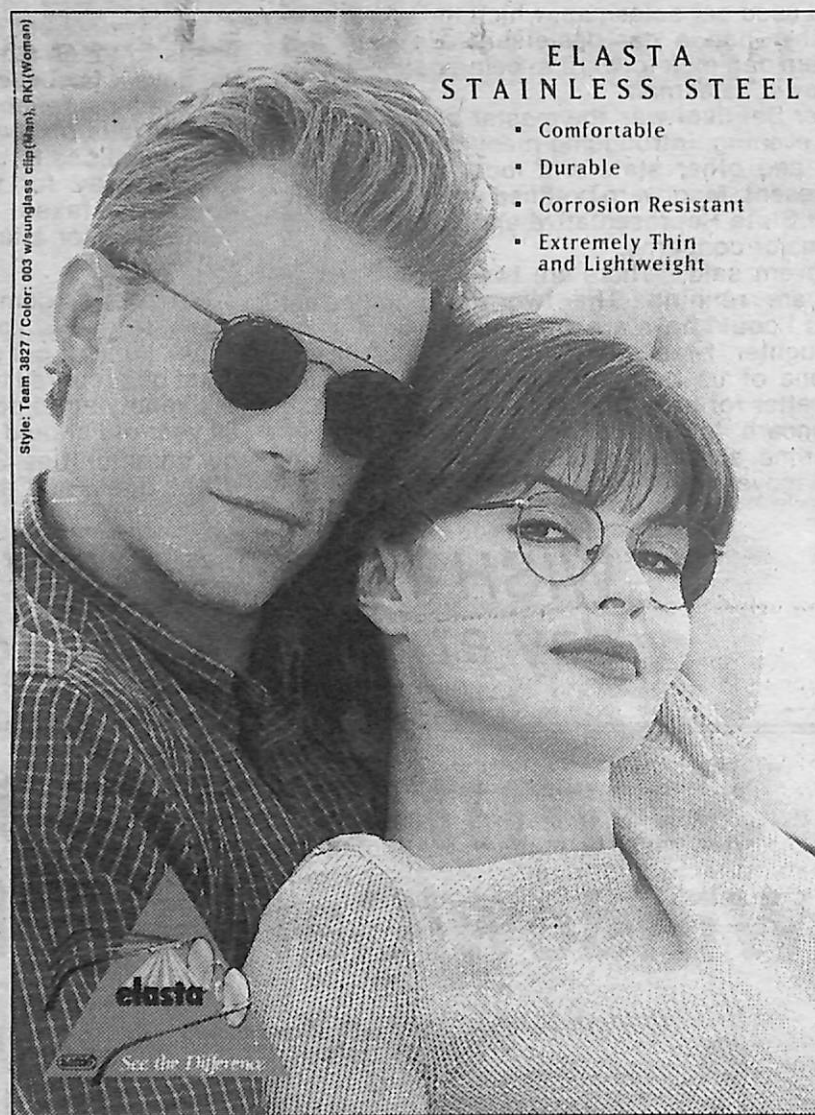
"I have fought for many years to give seniors the means to cover their substantial prescription drug costs," Melconian said. "With pharmaceutical costs continuing to rise, we cannot continue to force seniors to maintain their health without sufficient means."

The Senate's plan would expand Medicaid coverage to over 10,000 uninsured children up to the age of 12 whose families are below 200 percent of the federal poverty level, and increase access to the Medical Security Plan for lower income children who do not qualify for Medicaid.

"Although there can be disagreements on providing universal health care for all our citizens, there should be no debate on insuring the children of this Commonwealth," Melconian said. "No child should be denied health care for any reason, and the Legislature has begun to make sure this will be the case."

The plan, which would be financed with a 25-cent increase in the cigarette tax, will bring in an estimated \$100 million a year, and an additional \$157 million in federal funds.

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## Lt. Gov. Cellucci Guest Speaker At Magovern's State Rep. Fundraiser

Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Paul Cellucci gave a warm and personal introduction and endorsement for Robert Magovern at his fundraiser at The Oaks in Agawam on Thursday night, June 27th.

Lt. Governor Cellucci compared Magovern's background to that of his own, both coming out of families with family businesses. Cellucci said that he has been criticized in *The Boston Globe* as being a used car salesman, which in fact he was. His father had a car dealership. He said that Magovern can look forward to being called a used lawnmower salesman.

Walter DeFillipi was the master of ceremonies for the evening, introducing many of Magovern's friends and other state and local officials that were present. Magovern outlined why he was running for State Representative and outlined some of his major concerns.

Magovern said, "There are two major reasons why I am running. The two most important reasons I could have are Jim and Carrie, my son and daughter. I feel very strongly that each and every one of us has an obligation to leave the world better for having been here."

A concern for education, economic development, crime, and senior services were all mentioned in Magovern's remarks: "We have some of the

finest teachers in the country in this area, but if we don't give them the tools needed to teach with, we can not expect them to perform or our children to receive the best education. Not all our problems can be solved by throwing money at them. As a matter of fact, in the past it has had a negative effect. What it takes for a well-run school is leadership, support, and guidance for the classroom teacher."

Magovern went on to say, "The tools a teacher needs to teach with can not be supplied if we do not have a tax base to pay for it. The way the state changed its reimbursement policy, more of the burden falls on towns like ours. The only way to pay the bills is to build up our own tax base. You can not pay for top-quality schools with only residential taxes. You must have industry as a foundation for a tax base."

Magovern's comments were especially forceful when he spoke about our need to recognize the importance of our senior citizens in our area: "We must be prepared to deal with an aging population unlike any aged population we have ever had. An 80 year-old should be seen as a valuable asset to our communities. Our seniors have the knowledge of the ages, and this knowledge should never be

squandered or wasted. Without proper senior programs, however, we will never be able to reach and develop those resources."

After an outline of the expense of crime and the effect it has on not only higher insurance premiums, he made the statement, "If we ever had the courage to fight drugs effectively and stop the epidemic of human and financial waste, the savings we would generate could go to build the best educational systems in the world."

During Magovern's remarks, he told about his father being an Irish immigrant moving to Agawam, and how through hard work, sacrifice, and never losing sight of their mutual vision, his parents' life was the embodiment of the American dream.

He closed his remarks by saying, "A strong society is built by developing the individual as the building block of that society. If you do not have solid bricks, your building will crumble. The same with our society."

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To be a good coach, you have to understand people, just like when you run a service business like mine. I coach my employees to greet our customers with a smile because nobody likes a sourpuss. You don't have to know people to be nice to them.

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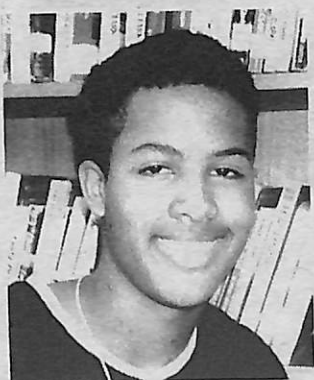
STATE REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL F. KEENAN (D) held a fundraiser at Oak Ridge Golf Club on June 26th for his 1996 reelection campaign. Some of those who attended included, from left - State Rep. Paul Caron (Springfield), House Majority Leader William Nagle, Keenan, and Steven Kulik; PHOTO RIGHT - some of the Agawam supporters who attended included Richard & Judy DiLullo, James & Anna Crean, Keenan, and William & Carrie Farwell. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



AT HIS FUNDRAISER at Oak Ridge Golf Club on June 26th, State Rep. Daniel F. Keenan (D) chats with supporters Bob & Patti Dunn O'Connell. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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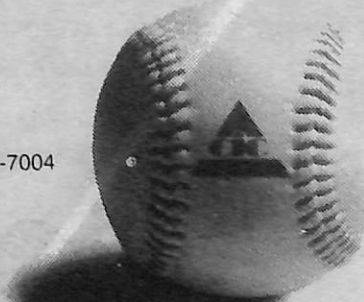
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### Toastermasters Introduce New Officers



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM/WEST SPRINGFIELD TOASTMASTERS gathered at Country Estates Nursing & Rehab Facility to introduce their new officers. From left - Mike Margiotta, secretary; Mark Proulx, assistant treasurer; Joanne Attardi, president; June Dutilly, vice-president of Membership; Sandy Purcell, sergeant at-arms & assistant vice-president of Public Relations; Karla Young, vice-president of Public Relations; Tami Nelson, vice-president of Education; and Jim Collins, treasurer. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Vietnam Vets Gather



HARVEY GAGNON AND RICH SOJA, members of the Western Mass Vietnam Veterans Chapter 111, recently spoke to students at Agawam Junior High School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### 'Monster Bash' At The Agawam Library

Summer Reading Members are invited to a "monstrous" lunch party on Thursday, July 18th, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

We'll read some of our favorite monster stories and then give you a chance to create a monster face sandwich that you can either eat here or have "to go." Maybe we'll even serve a secret potion drink!

To be a Summer Reading Member, you just need to come to the library to sign up. Another 100 kids have signed up this week to bring our total to 650.

Kids entering the Friday raffle drawing read for a combined total of 527 hours. Ten names were drawn for prizes donated from local businesses and individuals. One lucky member won the Grand Prize of a free week of Kids' Kamp, courtesy of Fitness First.

Every Friday we'll draw more names for more great prizes, so it's not too late to participate!

### Anthony DeMarco Celebrates His 90th Birthday

It was a beautiful day for a celebration on July 7th.

At the home of his daughter Eleanor and son-in-law Joseph Masciotra, along with his five grandchildren and their spouses, five great-grandchildren, friends, and his daughter-in-law Joan, Anthony (Tony) DeMarco of Springfield celebrated his 90th birthday.

Mr. "De" is the former owner of DeMarco's Wholesale Toy Co./DeMarco's Shoppers Corner of Springfield.

### Riverside Car And Driver Night Slated For Tuesday, July 23rd

Come to another Summer Reading feature program on Tuesday, July 23rd, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The Riverside Pace Car, as well as some racing cars with their drivers, will be here in our parking lot for you to see up close. Get behind the wheel and see how it would feel to be a professional race car driver.

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**Tuesday, July 16th:** Cold plate (ham sandwich, potato salad, tomato and cucumber salad), rye bread, jello with fruit.

**Wednesday, July 17th:** Chicken breast, sweet potatoes, green beans, rye bread, ice cream.

**Thursday, July 18th:** Sheppard's pie, carrots, wheat bread, canned peaches.

**Friday, July 19th:** Clam chowder, tuna salad on a roll, broccoli salad, canned pears.

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

## Mr. & Mrs. Laturneau Celebrate Their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. Eugene T. Laturneau of Agawam celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 1st. A family celebration was held at the Delaney House in Holyoke.

Eugene T. and Marie R. (LaGuercia) Laturneau were married June 1, 1946 at St. Anthony's Church in Agawam. The Laturneaus are parishioners at St. Theresa's Church.

Mr. & Mrs. Laturneau have three married daughters: Mrs. Robert Leckinger of Norwell, MA, and Mrs. Michael Creanza and Mrs. William Bursmith of West Springfield. The Laturneaus also have four grandchildren.

## Vecchiarelli Family Announces Birth Of Daughter, Alexis

David and Heidi Vecchiarelli of Feeding Hills announce the birth of their daughter, Alexis, on June 30th. She weighed eight pounds, nine ounces.

Alexis was welcomed home by her older brother, three year-old Anthony.

The maternal grandparents are Hans and Nancy Russ of Chicopee. The paternal grandparents are Phil and Marie Vecchiarelli of Feeding Hills.

## Agawam Library To Hold Story Hour "Just For Preschoolers"

Here is a program for the youngest members of the Agawam Public Library's Summer Reading Program.

Kids ages 2½ to four are invited to a story and craft time on Wednesday, July 17th, at 10:00 a.m. Parents and/or grandparents are invited to join us for a "sparkling" good time as we read, create, and finish up with a snack. Anyone interested can stay and play for a while. Call 789-1550 or stop by at 750 Cooper Street to register for this program. Space is limited.

The Summer Reading Program "Catch The Summer Spark! Read!" is off and running at the library with 400 local children already members. It's easy to join — just come to the library to find our Summer Reading sign-up table.

There's a weekly lottery of great prizes just for reading, a "sparkling star" display, a "Trinket Bucket" of small prizes for checking out books, weekly programs all summer (like the one above), and a certificate for those who read for at least six hours throughout the summer.

The fun is endless this summer, so don't miss a minute of it.

## Ag. Police Explorers To Meet On July 14th

Shannon Netopski of the Agawam Police Explorers has announced that there is a program open to all males and females ages 14 and up who are interested in law enforcement and learning while having fun.

The Police Explorers will be meeting on July 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Agawam Police Station.

The members of the Agawam Police Explorers have camp outs, CPR training, gun courses, fingerprinting children, and march in parades. They also learn to speak to the public, learn first aid, security, parking and much more.

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For animals to be adequately and legally vaccinated, they need two shots within nine to 12 months and then every three years.

Dave's Soda and Pet City at 415 Cooley Street, Springfield, will be conducting a rabies vaccination clinic for cats and dogs on Saturday, July 13th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Veterinarian Nancy Lewis-Owen will be vaccinating pets. The fee will be \$8, and all pets must be leashed or crated.

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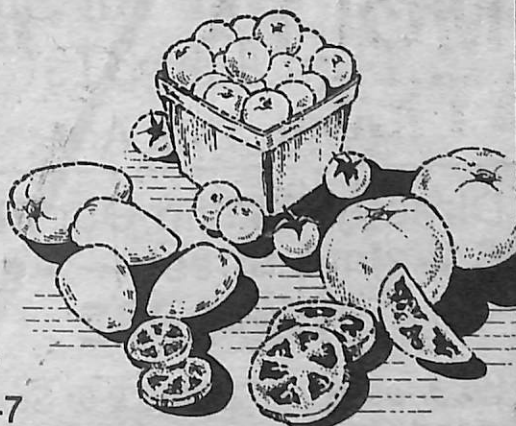
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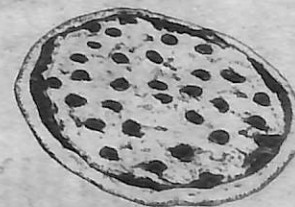
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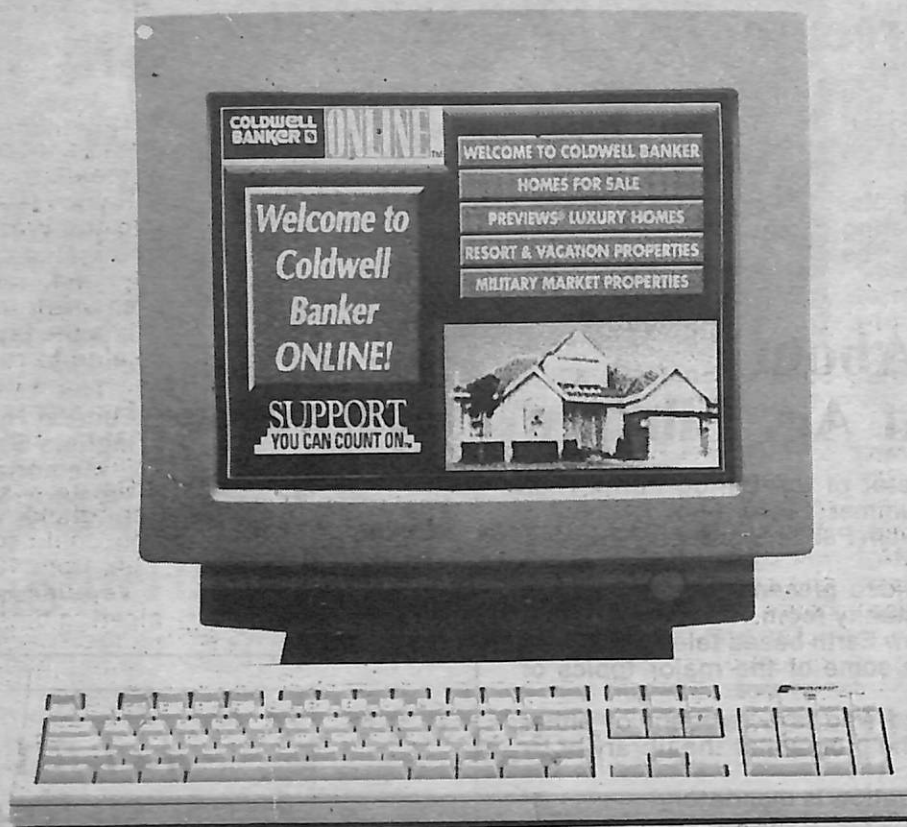


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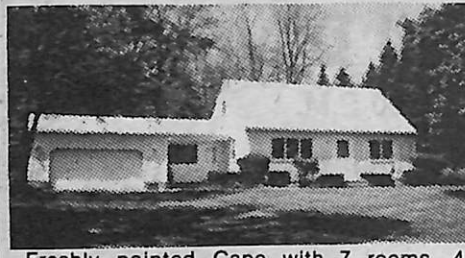
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## Staff Sergeant Derek G. Innarelli Graduates From Air Force Flight Screening

Air Force Staff Sgt. Derek G. Innarelli has graduated from the Air Force Flight Screening Program at Randolph Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

The flight screening program is designed for pilot candidates who do not hold a private pilot's license and have not completed another screening program. The program's curriculum of military orientation and flight screening in the T-3A, the newest aircraft in the Air Force inventory, allows the Air Force to screen pilot candidates for potential undergraduate pilot training success.

The candidates may come from the Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC), Officer Training School, active duty, and even Air National Guard

and Reserve components.

They must complete the rigorous program which includes 17 hours of academic instruction and test. Candidates receive 21½ flying hours practicing aerobatics, spins, stalls, turns, and overhead patterns and landings, including two solo flights. These are needed flying skills that they must later master in undergraduate pilot training.

Innarelli, a pilot candidate, is the son of Louis A. Innarelli of 44 Carroll Drive, Westfield, and Carla G. Dempsey of 126 Hendom Drive, Feeding Hills.

He is a 1989 graduate of Agawam High School, and a 1993 graduate of Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne.

## Mercy Hospital's Weldon Hearing Van To Conduct Free Screening At Senior Center

Mercy Hospital's Weldon Hearing Center will conduct its next free hearing screening and hearing aid check at the Agawam Senior Center on Monday, July 22nd, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

In addition, full diagnostic hearing tests, evaluations, fittings, sales and service of hearing aids and assistive-listening devices, can be

scheduled on a fee-for-service basis.

The hearing van's audiology equipment is operated by nationally certified audiologists from the Weldon Hearing Center at Mercy Hospital.

For a reservation, call the Agawam Senior Center at 786-0400, ext. 242.

## Lecture/Workshop About Astronomy/Space At Ag. Library

Mr. James R. Yankee, Planetarium Director of the Enrico Fermi High School in Vernon, CT, will offer his "Summer Lecture—Workshop in Astronomy and Space Science" at the Agawam Public Library on Tuesday, July 16th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Yankee will give a slide show and video presentation on planets, asteroids, and comets in the library's community room.

Images of prominent stars and planets, new Earth-based telescopes, and the 1994 comet impacts on Jupiter will be some of the major topics of discussion.

Anyone ages eight years old and up and who is a resident of either Agawam or Feeding Hills may register for the program at the library or by calling 789-1550.

Space is limited to 110 people and registration is mandatory.

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## Agawam Obituaries

### Marion L. Haubenreiser

Marion L. (Field) Haubenreiser, 88, formerly of Agawam, a longtime worker at F.A. Bassette Printing Co. of Springfield, died at a local nursing home.

She was a Golden Ager, and attended the Valley Community Church.

Her husband, Walter E. Haubenreiser, died in 1968.

She leaves a son, Earl J. of West Springfield.

Private graveside services were conducted at Oak Grove Cemetery in Springfield. The City Burial and Cremation Service of State Street, Springfield, was in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pioneer Valley Visiting Nurse and Hospice Association, 50 Maple Street, Springfield, MA 01102.

### Joseph M. Mullen

Joseph M. Mullen, 83, of 105 Witheridge St., Feeding Hills, died recently in a local nursing home. Born in Chicago, Illinois, he lived here for 38 years.

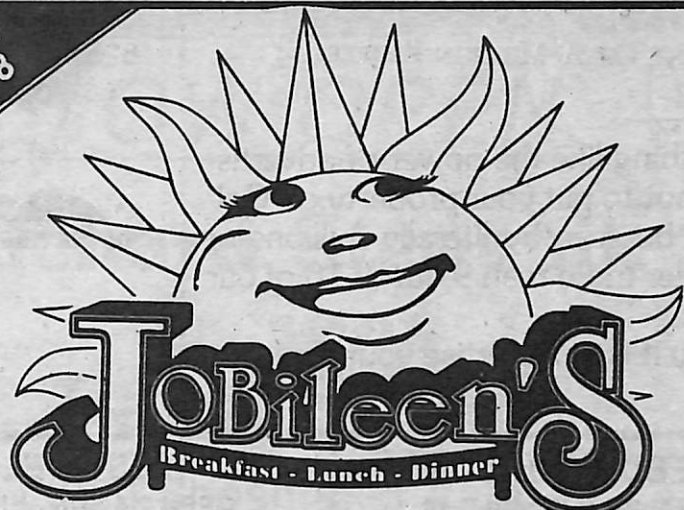
He was a toolmaker for Northern Tool Co. in Springfield for 28 years, and retired in 1980.

He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church. He leaves his wife, the former Loretta M. Bordeaux; a son, James A. Mullen of Brimfield; a sister, Helen Sully of Brimfield, and two grandchildren.

The funeral was at Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home and the church, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Western Massachusetts Lung Association, 393 Maple St., Springfield, MA 01105.

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## Flower Arranging At Heritage Hall



OVER AT HERITAGE HALL NURSING HOME (North Building), Activity Director Kathy Fila assists residents Elizabeth Keavany, Claire Plasse, and Alice Tatro with a flower arranging project. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Polish Club Sponsoring Full Day Of Country Western Entertainment, Music

On Sunday, July 14th, a festival featuring country-western entertainment will be held rain or shine from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Polish American Club fairgrounds and pavilion, 139 Southwick Street (Route 57), Feeding Hills.

This special event will feature a variety of foods, western merchandise, and additional vendors displaying their goods. Music will be provided

ed by the Broken Spoke Band and D.J. Tim Welesky.

Line and partner dance lessons will also be given from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. by dance expert Marie B.

Admission is \$5 for adults, and \$3 for children ages 12 and under.

For more information, please call 786-0927.

## Agawam Jr. Women's Club Is Saluted For Beautification Efforts

Members of the Agawam Junior Women's Club recently worked at the planter they "adopted" at the Veterans' Green adjacent to Phelps School. As part of its effort to recognize those individuals and organizations which make a special contribution to the beauty and attractiveness of Agawam, the Agawam Beautification Committee has singled out the Junior Women's Club for this distinction.

Speaking for the Beautification Committee, John Zebryk said, "The Junior Women's Club is most deserving of this recognition because not only can they be relied upon from year to year to be an active participant in a number of our programs, but they have independently initiated and implemented a number of other programs on their own."

"For example," Zebryk continued, "not only did they adopt the Veterans' Green planter this year, but they also supplied the flowers and plants at their own expense, allowing us to use our limited funds elsewhere."

In addition to the Adopt-A-Planter program, a partial list of the projects the Junior Women's Club has been active in includes Town cleanup efforts of treebelts and storm drains; memorial tree plantings; hazardous waste collection; assistance with tree inventory; planting of flowers; and promotion of Arbor and Earth Day programs with plantings at local schools.

Agawam Town Councilor George Bitzas expressed the view of the entire Beautification Committee by saying, "The progress made in making Agawam a more attractive place to live and work is possible only because of organizations such as this. Government can do only so much in areas such as this, and volunteer community effort is much more effective, efficient, and lasting."

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## Teresa Desmarais To Wed Shawn Smith

Maurice and Ruby Desmarais of 476 Franklin Street Extension, Agawam, announce the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Desmarais, to Shawn Smith of Feeding Hills. He is the son of Gerald and Anne Smith of 487 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills.

The future bride is a graduate of Agawam High School and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting from Assumption College in Worcester, MA. She is currently employed as a Pension Plan Specialist with CIGNA Retirement & Investment Services in Hartford, CT.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Agawam High School and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting from Assumption College in Worcester, MA. He is the Customer Manager of Levitz Furniture Corporation in Enfield, CT.

The wedding is planned for September 7th.

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## "Get Well" Cards Are Requested For Eric Mutti Of F. Hills

How sad. Another story about a young child who has had surgery in Boston. However, this one will have a happy ending.

Eric Mutti, now seven years-old, was born with an abundance of skin pigmentation that encompassed one entire leg, a couple of small areas on his body, and two large areas on the back of his head. It is necessary to remove the affected skin because if it was left untreated, it could become skin cancer.

He had several surgeries while still an infant where they grafted skin from other areas of his body. Not so the case with his head. The doctor felt that it was important for that area to be hair-growing. The procedure for this is to implant a skin stretcher in his head and over several weeks inject saline.

The surgery to put the implant in place was done on June 27th (the day after Eric's birthday). Eric will spend a somewhat inactive summer (if that's possible) while receiving the injections. Once complete, Eric will once again have surgery to remove the stretcher, along with the affected area on his head, and replace it with the hair-growing skin.

Isn't modern medicine wonderful? He will have a tutor in the fall for six weeks before returning to second grade at Robinson School.

For anyone wishing to send Eric a card, his address is:

Eric Mutti  
224 North Street  
Feeding Hills, MA 01030

## Summer Craft Show To Collect Food For Open Pantry

A Shopper's Dream Productions announces its "Campaign Against Hunger."

Bring a canned good donation for the Open Pantry of West Springfield and Agawam to the New England Summer Craft Spectacular on July 14, 1996 to the Town Gazebo at Storowton Village on the Eastern States Exposition Grounds in West Springfield between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., and receive a free pass to the New England Yuletide Craft Spectacular coming in December.

The New England Summer Craft Spectacular will feature talented craftspeople and artisans from several states. This beautiful show is guaranteed to delight and captivate you.

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## Seniors' Car Wash



GETTING READY TO HELP out with a car wash to support the Agawam Senior Games Athletes are members, from left - Chris Polumbo, Angelo Polumbo, and Ginny Ingram. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## New Officers Inducted For American Legion's Auxiliary Unit

The new officers of the American Legion Auxiliary, Hampden County, were installed by the County Director, Deborah Bakes of Holyoke, at the United Forces Post No. 351 in Holyoke on Sunday, June 30th.

Pauline Brown of Agawam was installed as a member of the County Executive Committee.

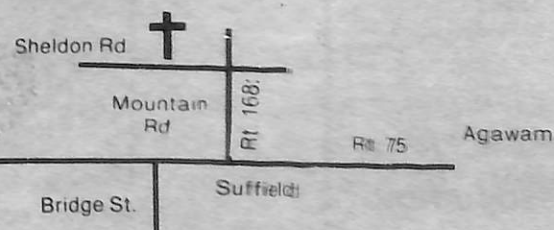
The yearly scholarships were also awarded to the recipients by County Scholarship Chairperson, Joyce Chretien.

Among the recipients were Agawam High School graduates Christy Dubay, daughter of Wayne and Sandra Dubay; Elizabeth Gervais, daughter of William and Petra Gervais; and Daniel Houle, son of Alfred and Joyce Houle.



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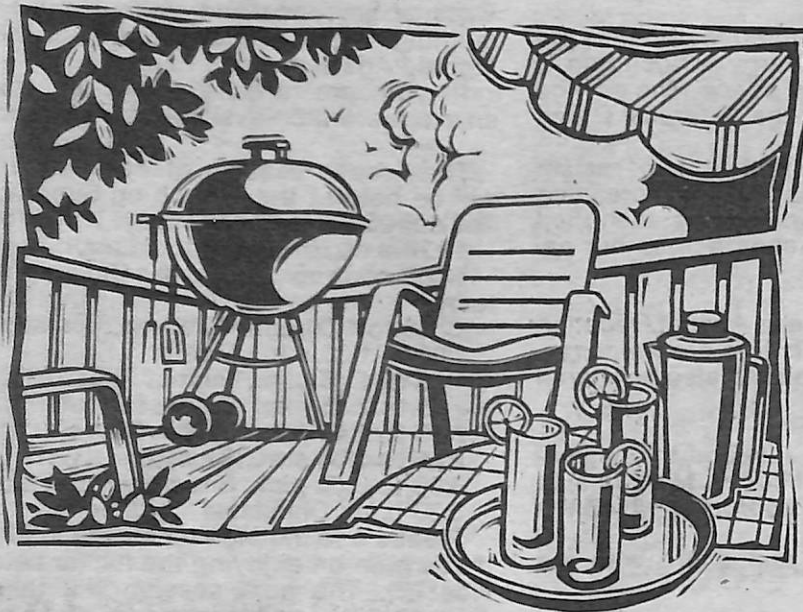
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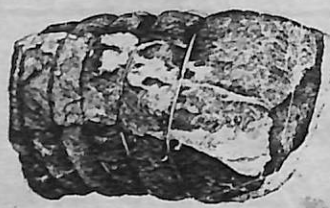
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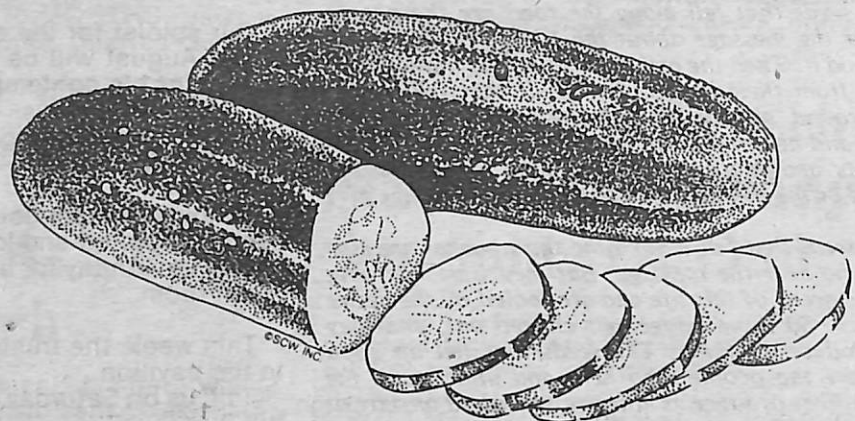
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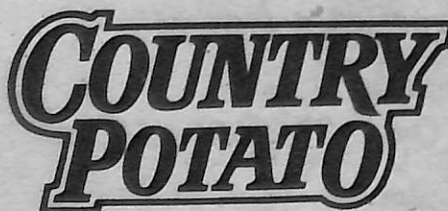
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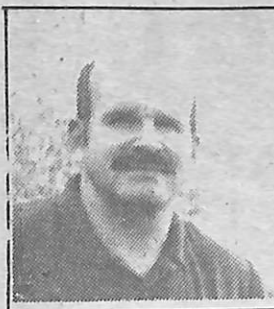


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## "The Parable Of The Sower"

"A farmer went out to scatter seed in a field. While the farmer was scattering the seed, some of it fell along the road and was eaten by birds. Other seeds fell on thin, rocky ground and quickly started growing because the soil wasn't very deep. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched and dried up, because they did not have enough roots.

"Some other seeds fell where thornbushes grew up and choked the plants. But a few seeds did fall on good ground where the plants produced a hundred or sixty or thirty times as much as was scattered. If you have ears, pay attention!"

Sometimes, in order to get a point across, Jesus Christ would speak to people in parables. A parable is a short and simple story, from which a profound lesson might be drawn.

Many people have read or heard the Parable of the Sower. Jesus' disciples were confused by this parable, so they asked Him about it, and Jesus explained His parable to them.

"The seeds that fell along the road are the people who hear the message about the Kingdom, but don't understand it. Then the evil one comes and snatches the message from their hearts. The seeds that fell on the rocky ground are the people who gladly hear the message and accept it right away. But they don't have deep roots, and they don't last very long. As soon as life gets hard or the message gets them in trouble, they give up.

"The seeds that fell among the thornbushes are also people who hear the message. But they start worrying about the needs of this life and are fooled by the desire to get rich. So the message gets choked out, and they never produce anything. The seeds that fell on good ground are the people who hear and understand the message. They produce as much as a hundred or sixty or thirty times what was planted."

Jesus' intention was that each of us would ask ourselves where we fit into His parable. When we hear God's invitation — "Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come buy and eat! Why spend your money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Seek the Lord while He may be found; call on Him while He is near" — does that mean anything at all to us?

Or are we like the seed that fell along the road? Sadly, there are some people who hear the words of God's love, but do not grasp the message.

Other people might see themselves fitting into Jesus' story as the seed that fell on the rocky ground. God's promises sound good, but they don't sink in. There is nothing in Jesus' story that says it has to keep being that way. God calls out to one and all: "Turn to the Lord, and He will have mercy on you."

God's desire is that each of us would be like the seed that fell on good ground. Jesus warns us not to let troubles or a desire to get rich fool us.

Psalms 65 says: "We are filled with the good things of Your house, of Your holy temple." God wants each of us to be His children, to receive the "Spirit of sonship," to be able to call God "Abba (Daddy), Father."

## Lutheran Church Seeks Public Donations For Refugee Programs

For refugees fleeing war or persecution, coming to America means leaving everything behind. By donating used furniture, you can help them to rebuild.

Beds, dressers, tables, kitchen chairs, cribs, other baby items, linens, dishes, and other household items in good condition are needed. You can also help by volunteering your time.

If you have anything to donate, please contact Deborah Schwartz, Volunteer Network Coordinator for the refugee programs of the Lutheran Social Services of New England, 425 Union Street, West Springfield, MA 01089, telephone (413) 787-0725, fax (413) 734-0859.

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## Events At Agawam United Methodist

On Sunday, July 14th, worship begins at 9:30 a.m. at Agawam United Methodist Church, 459 Mill Street, Feeding Hills.

Come and enjoy the gospel in song, in a moment of "Singspiration."

The Sermon will be preached by the Pastor, Reuben Telemaque.

At 7:00 p.m. this Sunday, there will be a Service of Song and Prayers.

This is a laity exercise. It gives opportunity for sharing and identifying with each other in the need for prayer and in the concern for community safety and protection.

At 5:00 p.m. this Sunday, United Methodists are invited to join the Agawam Clergy Association in a prayer service for unity and peace. The service will be held at the Gazebo at the Veterans' Green in Agawam.

This service is in response to the tide of racism and violence which seems to be spreading through the country, and which has identified itself in the burning of churches across our nation.

During the months of July and August (vacation time), our church goes on. Visitors are welcome.

During this period, the pulpit will also be shared by a guest preacher.

Our soloist for the end of July and the beginning of August will be Mark Mickey. Mark is also known for his contemporary approach, which the congregation enjoys.

Please be there to hear and share with the gospel challenge.

Renovations are going on. The green room has been completed and looks good.

Join us Sunday for free coffee and donuts in the green room.

This week, the trustees will turn their attention to the pavilion.

Join us on Saturday, July 13th, in a painting party.

## Blueberry Festival Slated At Agawam Methodist Church

Agawam Methodist Church will hold a blueberry festival on Saturday, July 20th, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Barbecued chicken, hamburgs, and hot dogs will also be on the grill. Various blueberry desserts will be homemade.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$6 for seniors. For reservations, call Dana Henry at 789-0684.

## F.H. Congregational Lists Events; Vacation Bible School Schedule

You are welcome to join with us at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, which is located at 21 N. Westfield Street in Feeding Hills.

Sunday School for adults begins at 9:00 a.m. This Sunday is Open Pantry Sunday. Worship begins at 10:00 a.m.

Children are welcome to attend church with their parents, leaving at the designated time for a planned activity; nursery care will be provided for the very young.

This Sunday, July 14th, is Open Pantry Sunday. Bags of groceries and clean, usable articles of clothing are needed for donation to the West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry.

If you are unable to bring these items, envelopes will be available for cash donations.

The second session of Vacation Bible School will be held at the church on Sunday, July 14th. The schedule is as follows:

11:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon: Lunch.  
12:00 noon to 12:15 p.m.: Opening in the sanctuary.

12:15 to 1:00 p.m.: Classes (upstairs).

1:00 to 1:30 p.m.: Music.

1:30 to 1:45 p.m.: Puppet Theatre.

1:45 to 2:15 p.m.: Classes (upstairs).

2:15 to 2:45 p.m.: Arts & Crafts.

2:45 to 3:00 p.m.: Closing.

3:00 to 3:30 p.m.: Snack & Free Time.

3:30 p.m.: Dismissal.

Please use the sign-up sheets in Griswold Hall if you plan on enjoying the fun (or helping to provide it!). The next session will take place on August 17th and include a sleep-over at the church.

If you have any questions, call Melinda, 789-1463, or Chris, 789-9606, or speak to any member of the Board of Christian Education.

On the calendar this week:

**Sunday, July 14th:** 9:00 a.m., Adult Sunday School; 10:00 a.m., Morning Worship; 11:30 a.m., Vacation Bible School; 5:00 to 7:30 p.m., Crossroads Christian Fellowship.

**Tuesday, July 16th:** 7:00 p.m., A.A.; 7:30 p.m., Stewardship/Missions.

**Wednesday, July 17th:** 6:30 p.m., Music Committee.

**Thursday, July 18th:** 5:30 p.m., Volleyball.

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## Church News - continued...

### Calendar Of Activities At St. David's Church

JOIN THE PEOPLE OF ST. DAVID'S CHURCH AS THEY CELEBRATE THE NEW LIFE IN JESUS CHRIST in worship services July 13th and 14th.

The church offers a quiet, contemporary service on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. at the Church Building at 522 Springfield Street, Feeding. The dignified, traditional service will be held in the Church Building this and next Sunday at the earlier hour of 7:30 a.m. in order to accommodate the later praise and renewal service, also held in the Church Building at the earlier hour of 9:00 a.m. (normally held at the Agawam Middle School).

The later service features a Summer Sunday School program for those in grades K-4, and nursery care for smaller children (Kindergarten and under). This service is also interpreted for the deaf.

This week's services will feature a sermon by Mr. Taylor Albright, member of St. David's and candidate for ordination.

St. David's welcomes visitors at all of its worship services.

**CONSTRUCTION HAS BEGUN FOR OUR NEW FACILITY**, to be located at 697 Springfield Street. The public is welcome to join us in being "sidewalk superintendents," and we covet your prayers. Framing of the new facility is now underway.

**WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE IN AGAWAM** to participate in services planned for Sunday, July 14th, at 5:00 p.m. to pray for peace and unity in our land, particularly in light of the bombings of churches. Check this edition of *The Agawam Advertiser-News* for information about location.

**A SUMMER STUDY FOR WOMEN**, led by St. David's parishioner Lynn Gioranino, has begun on Tuesdays at the Church Building from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., studying the book "Taming the Tongue." Contact the parish office (786-6133) for information. Child care is available.

**A BIBLE STUDY FOR SENIORS** also meets on Tuesdays at the Church Building from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. The parish office can provide further details.

**RELAX, FELLOWSHIP, AND LEARN TOGETHER** with others at the "Pool and Praise" gatherings on Tuesdays in July at the Fernalds home in Longmeadow. Pool and food from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.; singing from 7:00 to 7:15 p.m.; study and prayer from 7:15 to 8:00 p.m. Further information can be obtained by calling 786-6133.

**A CLASS IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE** for the deaf is being taught on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. at the Albrights' home in Agawam. Call the parish office for information.

**THE MEN OF ST. DAVID'S MEET SATURDAYS** at the Church Building from 7:00 to 8:15 a.m. to enjoy one another's company, to study the Bible, and to pray for one another. Further information or registration may be obtained by calling the Parish Office at 786-6133.

#### NEWS STORIES:

**ERIK TURNBERG**, youth member of St. David's, has left for a six-week missionary project in the Episcopal Diocese of Honduras, working alongside The Rev. John and Gail MacDonald and others who pastor the Christo Redentor Church in Tegucigalpa.

**BETSY COWAN**, also a youth member of St. David's, is in the midst of her six-week missionary project in Poland, working to support the staff of the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship who are leading an American-Polish college exchange program.

### Ag. Clergy Association Sponsoring Service For Unity & Peace

The Agawam Clergy Association is sponsoring a prayer service for unity and peace on Sunday, July 14th, beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Gazebo on the Veterans' Green in Agawam.

The tragic burning of churches across our nation is an affront to all Americans. Please join us for this brief but important event as our community comes together to help stem the tide of racism and violence.

**Please remember that Jack Devine needs at least 48 hours notice to cover your event. Call 789-0053.**

### Calendar Of Events At Sacred Heart Church

#### YOUTH ACTIVITIES FOR JULY:

\* **July 13th:** Car Wash, Parish Center, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

\* **July 19th:** Picnic Lunch — Stanley Park, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (RSVP by July 18th).

\* **July 24th-27th:** Camping at Holy Cross from 3:00 p.m. Wednesday to 5:00 p.m. Saturday.

**HOME VISITS/COMMUNION:** If you are homebound and would like a visit or Communion, or if you know of someone who is, please contact Sr. Eileen at 786-8200. Also contact her if you are going to be in the hospital or if you know of someone who is in the hospital or nursing home.

**DON'T FORGET** — If you are new in the area, please come and register in the parish as soon as possible. Our hours for registering are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Also, if you will be moving out of the parish or have a new address within our parish, please notify the rectory.

**MEMORABILIA** — Many of you brought in memorabilia for the 50th anniversary. Please come to the rectory any day Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or any evening Monday through Thursday, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Some of you did not put your names on these articles or pictures so we do not know to whom they belong.

#### OPTIONS:

— **WIDOW AND WIDOWER SUPPORT GROUP** "Completing the Journey" (for those whose spouse died MORE THAN 18 MONTHS AGO) — 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Captain Charles Leonard House, Agawam.

"Beginning the Journey" (for those whose spouse died LESS THAN 18 MONTHS AGO) — 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Captain Charles Leonard House, Agawam.

### Happenings At First Baptist Church

Summer worship continues at First Baptist Church this Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m., as Pastor Richard Barnes preaches on "What's Good For The Goose," using as his scriptural text Hebrews 10: 19-27.

Special music will be provided by Martha Fletcher and Eileen Drumm. Coffee and conversation follows worship in Davis Hall.

Vacation Bible School will begin this week, with crafts, games, and stories for children ages three through the sixth grade, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. each Sunday through August 18th.

Also on our calendar this week:

**Tuesday, July 16th:** 1:15 p.m., EZ Does It Aerobics Class.

**Wednesday, July 17th:** 7:15 a.m., Mid Week Prayer Time; 7:00 p.m., Miniature Golf (all ages invited).

**Thursday, July 18th:** 1:15 p.m., EZ Does It Aerobics Class; 7:00 p.m., Mid Week Worship (Sanctuary).

**Saturday, July 20th:** 1:00 p.m., All Church Scavenger Hunt; 4:00 p.m., Swim and supper (at the Dallo Russo home).

Visitors are always welcome at First Baptist Church, corner of Main and Elm Streets. If you are a visitor in town, come and be a part of our worship experience.

### New Members Elected To Parish Council At St. John's Church

St. John the Evangelist parish members held their annual election of members to serve on the parish council. The five elected for a three-year term are Patricia Drewniak, Donna Kilsiewicz, James Ransom, William Sullivan, and Colleen Tourville.

Parish council members retiring from the board are Judy Clow, Lorraine Maniscalchi, Rita Moore, and Pauline Wright.

The parish members congratulate and welcome the new members to the 15-member board.

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### Weekly Calendar From Ag. Congregational

This Sunday, July 14th, is the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, and the Summer Worship service is at 9:30 a.m. at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam. Summer hours will continue through to Sunday, September 1st.

This Sunday, Rev. Fuller's Sermon will be "A Light to My Path!", taken from Text Psalm 119:105-112. The Children's Message will be "Bigger Than a Flashlight!"

The Summer Youth Church, "Kids For Character," continues following the "Children's Message." This program is a series devoted to instructing children in developing their character, values, and ethics.

The series will be adapted to support these themes from a Biblical perspective. This program will run through Sunday, August 25th. All children are welcome!

The Vacation Bible Camp, "Images Of God," will be held July 29th through August 2nd from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. Ages two through the sixth grade are welcome.

Please register early or by July 15th by calling the church office at 786-7111. Cost is \$5 per child (\$10 maximum per family).

There will be a Potluck Supper at 6:00 p.m. on the last day of camp, August 2nd, at the church. Canned goods for the Agawam/West Springfield Open Pantry will be collected at the Potluck Supper.

### Vacation Bible School Slated For Bethany Assembly Of God

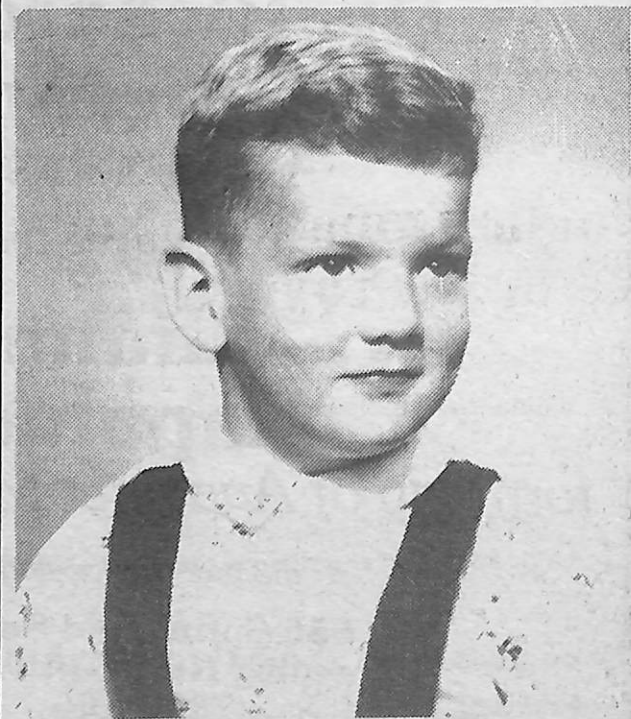
Bethany Assembly of God is geared up for an unforgettable experience. This year's Vacation Bible School theme is exciting!

The church will transform into a jungle safari where kids ages four through 12 can share in learning about the Lord's Prayer. The *Kingdom of the Son* theme will help create an atmosphere of fun and excitement while featuring life-related Bible study, lively songs, skits, games, crafts, and snacks.

The Vacation Bible School begins on Monday, July 29th, and continues through Friday, August 2nd. The five classes will be held at Bethany Assembly of God, 580 Main Street, Agawam, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

For more information, call 789-2930.

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## Spotlight On Business

### “The Old Shop” Now Open Behind Floral Concepts

Dennis Librera, co-owner and operator of **Floral Concepts by Tom** at 266 Walnut Street, Agawam, today announced the opening of **The Old Shop**, where townspeople can buy and sell antique collectibles, silk, second-hand furniture, and unique knick knacks.

**The Old Shop** is actually a renovated old building behind **Floral Concepts by Tom** where the “original” flower shop once owned by Keefe Florist was housed.

When the Keefe family built the present storefront right on Walnut Street in 1944 to expand their business, their “old” building was basically mothballed and was used for storage for nearly 52 years. Librera decided it was time for the old building to come back to life and hence “**The Old Shop**” opened for business on Wednesday, July 10th.

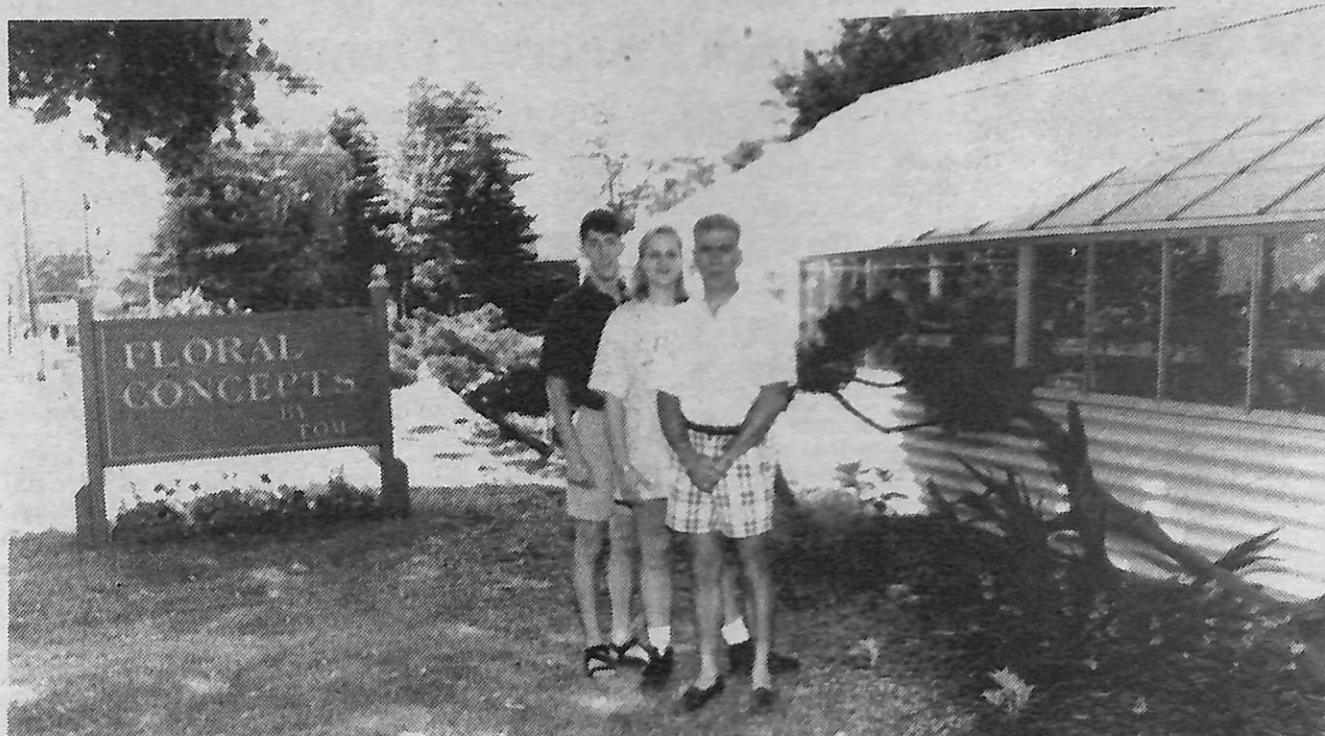
Librera said he has been interested in collecting unique memorabilia for many years and has thought about creating “**The Old Shop**” since purchasing the floral business from the Keefe family in September 1993.

When browsing through “**The Old Shop**,” the customer will instantly be transported back to yesteryear by hardwood floors, a wood-burning stove, original flower cooler box, and the unique attic section.

If anyone is interested in selling items from estates or house lots, contact Librera at 786-2622 or stop in. “**The Old Shop**” will be open from Wednesday to Friday starting July 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The business will not be open on Saturday, July 13th.

Librera is currently offering a 10 percent discount on all stock in **The Old Shop** through July 31st by using the coupon found in his display advertisement in this week's *Agawam Advertiser News*.

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**DENNIS LIBRERA**, co-owner and operator of **Floral Concepts by Tom** at 266 Walnut Street, Agawam, has turned the old building behind his floral shop into an antiques and collectibles shop called “**The Old Shop**.” The new part of the business opened on July 10th. Dennis (top photo, right) is pictured with co-owner Thomas Fredette and staff member Barbara-Ann Mineo. RELATED PHOTO ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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## Spotlight On Business - continued...

**"The Old Shop" Is Now Open**

**DENNIS LIBRERA**, co-owner of **Floral Concepts by Tom**, is proud of the latest edition to the business, **"The Old Shop,"** located directly behind the floral shop at 266 Walnut Street Extension, Agawam. **"The Old Shop"** features antiques and collectibles, second-hand furniture, unique gifts, and knick knacks. SEE RELATED STORY AND PHOTOS ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Work Opportunity Ctr. Present Kudos To Three Town Businesses

**Work Opportunity Center, Inc.**, located on Suffield Street, Agawam, held its Sixth Annual Employer Appreciation Breakfast recently at **Chez Josef**. Several Agawam businesses were cited for outstanding service to the center.

**Work Opportunity Center, Inc.**, has been providing the developmentally disabled of the Greater Springfield Area with vocational training and community employment since 1969. Its main mission is to procure community employment for individuals.

Robert F.L. MacDonald, executive director, said, "Individuals with developmental disabilities benefit tremendously from community employment. They become economically independent while simultaneously developing a new self-concept. The community integration experience helps the developmentally disabled grow and develop in new and meaningful ways."

Agawam businesses receiving awards included, **Stop & Shop Supermarket**, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills Center, and **United Process, Inc.**, Silver Street, Agawam, "Quality Employment Awards." To be eligible for this award, a corporation has to have hired a developmentally disabled individual and the individual must be on the employer's payroll for a minimum of six months.

Receiving the "Outstanding Achievement Award" was **Karen Kohanek** of Westfield, who is currently employed at **Chez Josef**. To be eligible for this award, a developmentally disabled individual must be employed in the community for a minimum of two years.

Representing Governor William F. Weld was John Briggs, director of Weld's Western Mass. Office. Briggs delivered remarks on behalf of Weld and presented each **Work Opportunity Center, Inc.**, award recipient with a Gubernatorial Citation.

The keynote speaker was Michael Kendricks, an international consultant to organizations that provide vocational programs to individuals with developmental disabilities.

Kendricks opened his remarks by saying, "Change comes in small steps. Each small step leads to enhancing the quality of life for each person we serve."

He ended his remarks by saying, "As service providers, we are able to continue the legacy of the individuals we serve by advocating for individual empowerment."

At the close of the breakfast, MacDonald added, "Corporations who employ individuals with developmental disabilities should be commended. These corporations will become role models for other companies in the future. They realize hiring individuals with developmental disabilities is a prudent business decision because they gain an employee who is appreciative of the opportunity to work and demonstrates a good work ethic."



**AMELIA MINER** of **Super Stop & Shop** (center) received a "Quality Employment Award" at the Work Opportunity Center's Sixth Annual Employer Appreciation Breakfast. Also in photo are John Briggs, representing Gov. William Weld (left), and Robert F.L. MacDonald, WOC executive director.

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Offering too much money for a house can be both unwise and very costly. Conversely, a prospective buyer can also make a mistake by offering too little.

That's because an unrealistically low offer can sour the whole negotiation process. Sellers, insulted by a first offer, will often refuse to consider a counter-offer. Once that happens, getting things back on track can be difficult at best.

The whole idea — and it's an important one — is to start at a level that makes sense to all parties and makes a win-win outcome possible. Finding the right level isn't as complicated as you might think.

The right first step is to compare the asking price with prices actually paid for similar homes in the same area within the past year. Your agent can be a big help in assembling data of this kind.

An offer that's comparable to the lowest of the recently accepted offers may not be eagerly snapped up and in fact might not be accepted at all. But it's not likely to give offense, either. It's probably going to provide a starting point from which the negotiation process can move forward.

If you find it difficult to find clearly valid points of comparison — maybe no houses really similar to the one you want have been sold in the same area recently, for example — it might make sense to get an appraisal before making your offer. If you decide to do this, get it done quickly. You'd hate to have somebody else buy the house while you were waiting for your appraisal.

Offering a formal, signed contract isn't even a small problem if you have a reputable agent on your team. As for deciding how much to offer as a deposit, three to five percent of the offered price is usually considered standard. If you're determined to have this particular house and are concerned about other bidders, however, it's not a bad idea to consider a bigger deposit.

If the seller doesn't accept your offer, you're entitled to have the deposit returned to you — immediately. Your deposit check should be payable to an escrow company or listing agency, not to the seller.

There are laws to govern what happens to your earnest money if the seller accepts your offer but you later default on the sale. Those laws are sometimes complicated, and they vary from state to state and according to the circumstances.

If the default is caused by things beyond your control — loss of your job, for example — it's highly likely that you'll get all your money back. Your agent can fill you in on the details.

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## Chiropractic Is More Than Just "Moving Bones"...

When I first graduated from chiropractic college, I thought it would be interesting to interview some older chiropractors who had been adjusting patients for years, to hear their perspective on the profession.

One retired chiropractor from Western Massachusetts that I interviewed was quite a joy to spend time with. He was a chiropractor before the profession was licensed in Massachusetts.

Licensure happened in 1967, with Massachusetts being the last state to license chiropractors. This doctor adjusted patients before licensure, but he did what he felt was right at the time in order to help his patients. (Luckily, chiropractic has come a long way in a short amount of time.)

I asked this chiropractor if there was a specific clinical case that was unusual or memorable. He told me about a woman patient whose low back he had adjusted successfully for years.

One day she awoke with a stiff neck, so he adjusted her neck. She came in very excited the next day and stated she could smell the bread baking in the oven.

When he asked, "So what?", she replied that she hadn't been able to taste or smell for 30 years! He said, "You never told me that before!" She answered, "You never asked!"

This neat story shows how chiropractic is more than just moving bones. Chiropractic involves the entire nervous system, which affects the whole body.

The nerves that innervate or supply the sensory organs were not functioning properly in this case due to a mechanical dysfunction of the cervical spine or neck. The chiropractor adjusted the region that was not functioning well, restored proper motion (which allowed the nerves to function properly), and the body was able to heal itself.

I'm grateful for the chiropractor who shared that story with me at that time, as it only confirmed the fact that I made the right decision in pursuing my goal as a chiropractor.

If you are interested in learning more about chiropractic, Dr. Nelson offers a complimentary health care class which answers many questions you may have. Our next scheduled class will be on Wednesday, July 24th, at 7:00 p.m. at Hampden County Chiropractic, 850 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Please call our office at 786-4820 to reserve a space. Dr. Nelson is available to answer questions on Monday and Wednesday from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. at the above number.

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## Providence Hospital To Offer "Living With Cancer" Program

"Humor, Healing, and Happiness" will be the focus of the July 22nd session of Providence Hospital's "Living With Cancer" series. Guest speaker Philip Milgrom's presentation centers on the healing power of humor for body, mind, and soul, and offers techniques to help maintain and improve wellness.

The free meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the hospital auditorium, and will be facilitated by Providence Hospital's chaplain Sr. Madeleine Joy, S.P. The American Cancer Society co-sponsors the monthly programs, which focus on topics of interest to cancer patients, their families, and friends.

Milgrom is a stress management consultant, humorist, certified yoga instructor, and yoga therapist. He is on the teaching staff of the American Yoga College, is a member of the American Association for Therapeutic Humor, and is co-director of The Centered Place, a holistic health center in Warren.

Advance registration is not required. For more information, call Sr. Madeleine Joy, S.P., at (413) 536-5111.

## Representative Keenan Moves To Improve Health Care Delivery

State Representative Daniel F. Keenan has co-sponsored legislation aimed at improving the health care system in Massachusetts. The proposed legislation is the result of difficulties with utilization review procedures at many managed care companies that too often emphasize cost over sound clinical practice.

Medical treatments requested by doctors or other health care providers are subject to review by the insurance companies. The bill sets up clear standards for a certification procedure for all utilization review agents. It will insure that like licensed care providers are the only review agents making final clinical judgments about their colleagues' clinical requests. The bill will also establish a clear and expedient appeal process with final determination by the Department of Public Health.

"This legislation will provide for qualified utilization review agents to make sound clinical judgments in the patients' best interests," said Rep. Keenan. "With this bill and the previously adopted extended maternal benefits legislation, we are taking the necessary steps to safeguard the health and well-being of Massachusetts residents," he concluded.

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**ANSWER:** Yes! When you say drastic, you are so right. Any surgery is a radical procedure and must be done only after more conservative methods have failed.

Experts have questioned whether the findings necessarily relate to patient complaints and whether they are responsible for increased surgery. A study in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, "Magnetic Resonance Imaging of the Lumbar Spine in People without Back Pain," examines that question.

The study did MRIs on 98 people without symptoms and discovered a high prevalence of disc bulges, protrusions, and extrusions. With the results of two readings averaged, 52 percent of people without symptoms had a bulge of at least one intervertebral disc, 27 percent had a protrusion, and one percent had an extrusion.

Thus, 64 percent of these people without back pain had a disc abnormality, and 38 percent had an abnormality at more than one level.

While surgery may be recommended following positive MRI scan, it is wise to remember that surgical intervention, especially in the spine, is to be considered a radical procedure and should be performed ONLY as a last resort. Only rarely is it necessary for a patient to undergo surgery.

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## Stroke Support At Mercy Hospital

Stroke survivors will find information and fellowship at monthly meetings of the Stroke Support Group, sponsored by the Weldon Center for Rehabilitation at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

The next meeting will be conducted on July 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Deliso Conference Center. Families and friends are also welcome to attend the free sessions.

For more information, call Mollie Braverman, (413) 748-6894.

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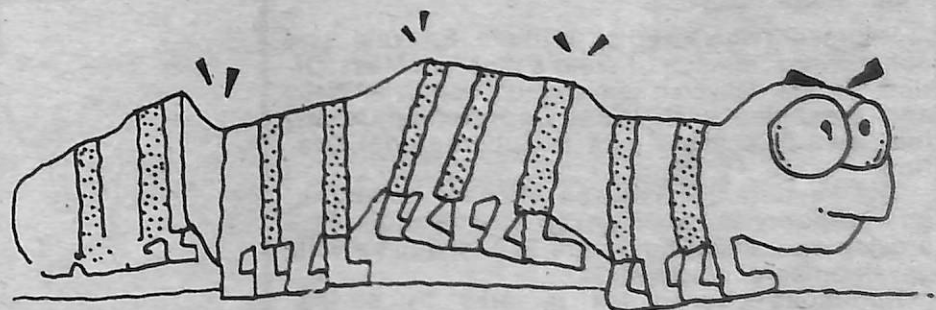
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## Arts



**DOROTHY** (Meghan Zinn of West Side), **Tin Man** (Tiffany Blackman of Feeding Hills), **Lion** (Sarah Meiers of Feeding Hills), and **Scarecrow** (Cara Dello Russo of Feeding Hills) all admire the newest Oz creation, **Scraps the Patchwork Girl** (Cathryn Heffernan of Suffield) in STAGE'S Children's Summer Theatre production of "Scraps Of Oz" premiering at the Red Door Theatre in Feeding Hills.

## Eastern States Expo Has Large Menu Of Summertime Events Now On Tap

This summer temperatures will rise at Eastern States Exposition's 175-acre facility with a spectacular lineup of hot shows and events with something to please everyone.

Horse shows taking place in the Coliseum this summer will delight fans of the horse world, both young and old. All shows are free and open to the public. Scheduled shows are as follows:

\* Connecticut Summer Class Horse Show, July 11th-13th, 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

\* New England Quarter Horse Assoc. Annual Show, August 1st-4th, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

\* Massachusetts Morgan Horse Show, August 13th-17th, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

\* Northeast American Miniature Horse Assoc. District Show, August 23rd-25th, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Better Living Center will be the site of several dog shows this summer. All are free and open to the public and scheduled as follows:

\* Elm City Kennel Club All Breed Dog Show, July 28th, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

\* Newtown Kennel Club Dog Show, August 24th, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

\* Great Barrington Kennel Dog Show, August 25th, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Warm summer nights will be filled with music as the Town of West Springfield presents its Summer Concert Series on the Storowton Gazebo on June 20th and August 1st and 8th at 7:30 p.m. Scheduled performers are Vickie Phillips - A Class Act, Richie Mitnick and Troupe, and the Ray

Henry Polka Orchestra. The concerts are free and open to the public.

The New England Summer Craft Spectacular returns to the Village Green at Storowton on Sunday, July 14th, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. More than 125 selected artisans and craftspeople from seven states will participate in one of New England's most beautiful summer craft shows. The event is free and open to the public.

The 32nd Holiday Rambler Recreational Vehicle International Rally will be held at the Eastern States Exposition from July 15th through July 19th. The group will also host an open house for the general public on July 14th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. where folks may tour recreational vehicles in the Better Living Center and gather information on the organization. The event is a private gathering for vehicle owners.

The New England Sheep Sale will take place on July 19th and 20th, and the Northeast Youth Sheep Show will be held on July 21st. Both free events will take place in the Mallory Complex from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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## STAGE To Present A Further Adventure In The Land Of Oz

The *Patchwork Girl* novel marked the return of the "Oz" stories after Frank L. Baum declared not to write another adventure of that beloved fantasyland over the rainbow.

But three years after writing *The Emerald City of Oz* and by great popular demand, *The Patchwork Girl* was published in 1913.

July 12th-13th marks the premiere of an adaptation of Baum's much loved rag girl written for the stage by children's theatre playwright Lyle Pearsons of Suffield. This is the 12th play Pearsons has written for STAGE theatre camps and will be performed by 40 area young people attending the two-week drama sessions.

All of Oz's wonderful characters will fill the stage, including Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, and Lion, in addition to less familiar figures like Ojo, Unc Nunkie, Woozy, Ozma and, of course, the patchwork girl herself, Scraps.

The Red Door Theatre at 152 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills, MA will come alive with the wild adventures of Ojo, a young Munchkin boy who must find a magical remedy for a charm that has turned his uncle into a marble statue. Aided by a glass cat and Scraps, both of whom have been brought to life by a magical powder, Ojo sets off on a journey across Oz, where he meets many incredible characters and dangers in his attempt to save his uncle.

"Scraps of Oz" is the first in a summer series of children's theatre presented at The Red Door. All tickets are \$4 and seats must be reserved by calling (413) 789-2026.

The dates for "Scraps" are Friday, July 12th and Saturday, July 13th at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, July 13th and Sunday, July 14th at 2:00 p.m.

## Suffield Players Slate Auditions For July

Suffield: Suffield Players will be holding auditions for its presentation of "Postmortem" by Ken Ludwig (a murder mystery in the classic style) on Sunday and Monday, July 14th and 15th.

Three men and four women, ages 25-50 are needed. Auditions will be held from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Mapleton Hall, 1305 Mapleton Ave., Suffield. Rehearsal dates will run from August 25th-October 16th.

Show dates are October 17th, 18th, 19th, 25th, 26th, November 1st, and November 2nd. Konrad Rogowski will be directing. For more information, call (413) 592-3755.

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**RAYMOND DREWNOWSKI** of Agawam was recently named to the position of saxophonist in the Metropolitan Wind Symphony of Boston. The symphony is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. Raymond is currently a music major at the University of Mass. Lowell.

## Raymond Drewnowski Is Now A Saxophonist With Wind Symphony

Raymond M.P. Drewnowski of Agawam, currently a Music Education major at the University of Massachusetts Lowell, was recently offered and accepted the position of saxophonist in the Metropolitan Wind Symphony of Boston.

In addition to his new position, Raymond is currently the principal saxophonist in the University Wind Ensemble under the direction of David J. Martins, and is also principal saxophonist in the University Saxophone Quartet.

He is a Student Assistant to Dr. Gerald J. Lloyd, Dean of the College of Fine Arts, and is a contributor to the University Newspaper, The Lowell Connector.

He is scheduled to perform a recital at the College of Fine Arts in the Fall of 1996.

Celebrating its 25th anniversary during this 1995-1996 season, the Metropolitan Wind Symphony makes a significant contribution to the cultural life of the Greater Boston community by providing its audiences with concerts of high quality, and its members with opportunities for musical growth.

The MWS presents formal performances of traditional and contemporary wind band literature, as well as more informal pops and outdoor concerts throughout the metropolitan area.

The Metropolitan Wind Symphony recently hosted a Band Festival held in Boston at Faneuil Hall on June 1st, and also performed on June 23rd at the Hatch Memorial Shell in Boston. Other summer concerts included performances in Dedham on June 26th, Newburyport on June 30th, Norton on July 2nd, and Hingham on July 3rd.

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## Artist Debrah Santini To Speak At July 24th At Agawam Library

We'd like to introduce you to a very talented artist and illustrator with local roots. Debrah Santini will give a brief talk and show samples of her original work on Wednesday, July 24th, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Join us for a chance to speak with her in person as we relax over refreshments.

Debrah, a lifelong resident of Feeding Hills, received her Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, where she first became interested in children's book illustration. She has recently moved to Georgia, becoming a member of the faculty of West Georgia College.

Debrah has illustrated a number of books for children, including *Cinderella* (Christine San Jose), *Tulips* (Jay O'Callahan), *The Baby Who Would Not Come Down* (Joan Knight), and *Santa's Secret Helper* (Andrew Clements).

A representative of Johnson's Book Store will have a number of copies of her latest book, *The Last Dance* (Carmen Agra Deedy), available for book signing.

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#### TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, on THURSDAY, July 18, 1996 at 6:45 P.M. for all parties interested in the appeal of TIMOTHY T. AYRE who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7 of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for a change of use, (Residential to Business) for an office at the premises identified as 648 MAIN STREET.

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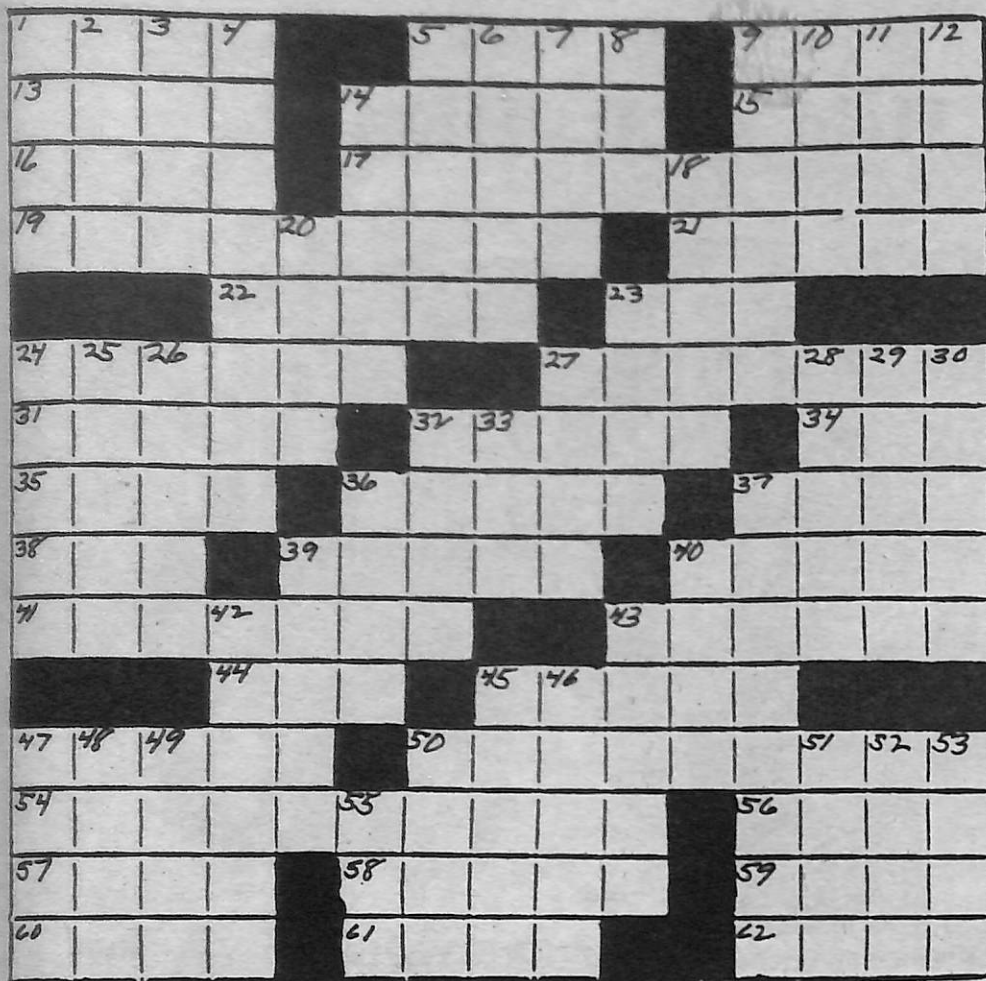
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## Photography Exhibit Slated For July

Suffield: The Suffield Council for the Arts announces the opening of an exhibit of the photographic work of Amherst artist Michael O'Bannon.

The show is on display in the gallery of Kent Memorial Library on Main St. in Suffield. The exhibit is open from July 2nd through July 30th; a reception will be held on Saturday, July 13th from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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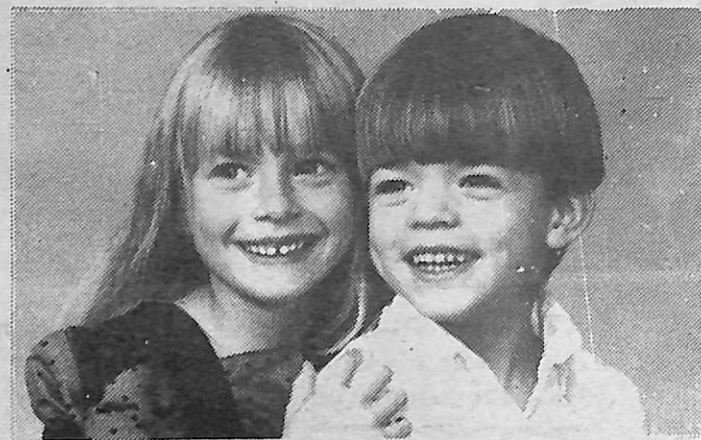
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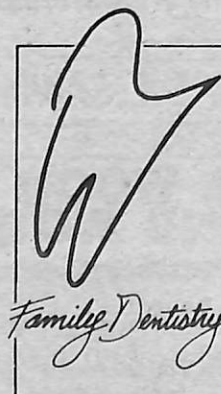
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### End-Of-Year Dance Held At Jr. High



SOME OF THE 8TH GRADE JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS who attended the End-Of-The-Year Dance included, from left - Jay Malanson, Christine Gallant, Brian St. Jean, Arlie Dosek, Kaila Larivee, Marie Buendo, Erin Lightcap, Russ Smith, Jeff Pickett, Erin Sullivan, Tiffany Scaife, Edwin Torres, Chris LeBlanc, and Arlie Dosek. RELATED PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



AT THE END-OF-THE-YEAR Dance at the Junior High, part of the large crowd who attended included 8th graders Joe DiVirgilio, Amanda Tilden, Jay Malanson, Semiah Barquero, Chris Fennyery, Nikki Saffer, Vinny Buoniconti, Elise Alfano, Steve Hearn, Angie Edwards, and John O'Krongly, Jr. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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## Junior High Dance Another Success



**THE END-OF-THE-YEAR** Dance at the Junior High brought out another large crowd of 8th graders for the event. From left - Kelly Webb, Kristen Lawson, Sara Borden, Crystal Place, Andrea Provo, Julie Lungarini, Justin Gorman, Nicole Koehler, Jane Santucci, Judy Trevethan, Teresa Grimaldi, Kristine Baker, and Katie Fuller. RELATED PHOTOS ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

### Lori Ann Zukowski Earns Degree From Central Bible College

On May 2, 1996, Lori Ann Zukowski, a 1990 graduate of Agawam High School, received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Missions from Central Bible College in Springfield, Missouri. She previously attended Western New England College for two years.

During her four years of study, she served as a Resident Assistant, Secretary of Student Government Association, Asia Pacific Prayer Leader, and Secretary of Correspondence for Tri Chi (a community service organization).

She has spent 10 weeks of ministry in China, and completed an internship last summer in Chicago, Illinois.

Lori is planning to return to the country of China, where she feels called to do missionary work. Lori will be teaching English as a second language on a M.A.P.S. (Missions Abroad Placement Service) assignment for the Assemblies of God.

She is the daughter of Joseph and Judith Zukowski of Brien Street in Agawam.

### Agawam AFS Seeking Host Family For Teenage Girl From Brazil For 1996-97

The Agawam Chapter of American Intercultural Programs (AFS) is seeking a host family for a teenage girl from Brazil for the 1996-1997 school year to be a member of the senior class at Agawam High School. The 17 year-old has taken seven years of English and French, and is a good student who enjoys athletics. Her native language is Portuguese.

Agawam AFS offers plenty of support to all of its host families and has a 15-member community board and a faculty advisor at the High School to assist the foreign students and host families throughout the year.

Currently, Agawam AFS is sponsoring five students at Agawam High School. The students arrive in early August and return to their home countries the first week of July the following year (after spending what is hoped to be the most memorable year of their lives with an American

host family).

AFS USA sponsors over 4,000 students and visiting teachers each year.

Host families come from all walks of life and from all income levels. AFS International assumes health and liability insurance. The Agawam Chapter of AFS helps the students it sponsors with many school related expenses.

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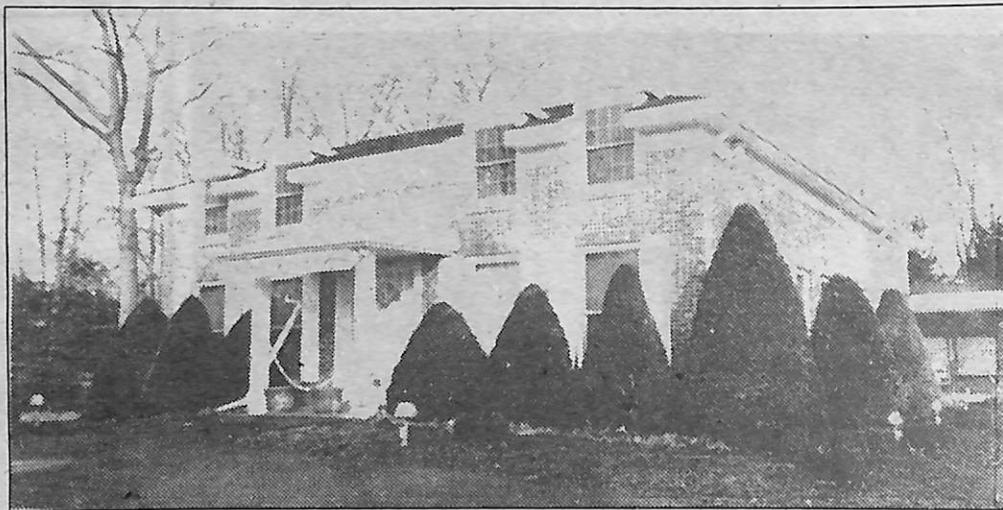
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## Middle School Again Has Many Readers In Accelerated Program

The Agawam Middle School recently completed another successful year participating in the Accelerated Reader Program. The program is sponsored by the Middle School P.T.O.

The Accelerated Reader is a school-wide reading program aimed at fostering reading. This program has been in use for five years to try to advance reading skills by our students. Students participate by choice and make their selections of books from a list created by Advantage Learning Systems, Inc. Both fiction and non-fiction books are on the list in a variety of subject areas.

The books are geared by reading levels and points. Computerized tests are taken, with students earning points which enable them to attend programs and win awards. The tests are based on comprehension and reading skills. Some of the advantages of the program are that students are motivated to read more and better books, improved reading skills, development of critical thinking skills, and enables teachers to judge the students' reading progress.

Library circulation has increased dramatically since the program began. This term, fifth grade students earned 6,216.2 points. These students were required to achieve 10 points in a 4.0 or above reading level.

The average reading level of all fifth grade students after participating in the program increased to 5.4. Highest point winners this term were **Jenine Davignon**, 151.3 points; **Mark Mazza**, 135.8 points; and **Ashley Marek**, 132.5 points. **Jenine Davignon**, 227.9 points; **Andrew Wynne**, 227.5 points; and **Mark Marra**, 201.3 points, achieved the most points for the year.

Mrs. Nancy Hellquist's fifth grade class won the award for 100-percent participation by the class and 100-percent participation of the students eligible to attend the program. The class also had the highest number of points: 1,136 for this term and a total of 2,041 points for the year. Ms. Soverow's class also had 100 percent participation.

The sixth grade class accumulated 3,642.6 points. Eighty-seven students achieved 15.0 more points in a 5.0 or above reading level. Highest point winners for this term were **Michael Follis**, 221.0 points, **April Rondeau**, 142.2 points, and **Craig Jendza**, 62.8 points.

**Michael Follis**, **April Rondeau**, and **Nathan Skiba** achieved the highest scores over their two years participating in the program. Michael earned 592.7 points, April earned 488.8 points, and Nathan earned 230.1 points.

Incentive prizes awarded are pencils, paperback books of the student's choice, T-shirts, and gift certificates.

The Accelerated Reader Program is managed by Mrs. Sylvia Deliso, Librarian, and Mrs. Evelyn Lester, Project S.E.E. teacher.



IN TOP PHOTO are fifth grade winners at the Middle School who scored more than 50 points in the Accelerated Reader Program. IN PHOTO BELOW, all members of Nancy Hellquist's fifth grade class were eligible to participate in the Accelerated Reader Program awards assembly. Fifth grader Keith Johnson earned 2,000 points in the 1995-96 school year. Advertiser

News photos by Jack Devine.



TOP FIFTH GRADE ACCELERATED READERS who won T-shirts at the Middle School included (top row) Jenine Davignon, 227.9 points; Mark Marra, 201.3 points; and Andrew Wynne, 227.5 points. The students in the bottom row all accumulated over 100 points each. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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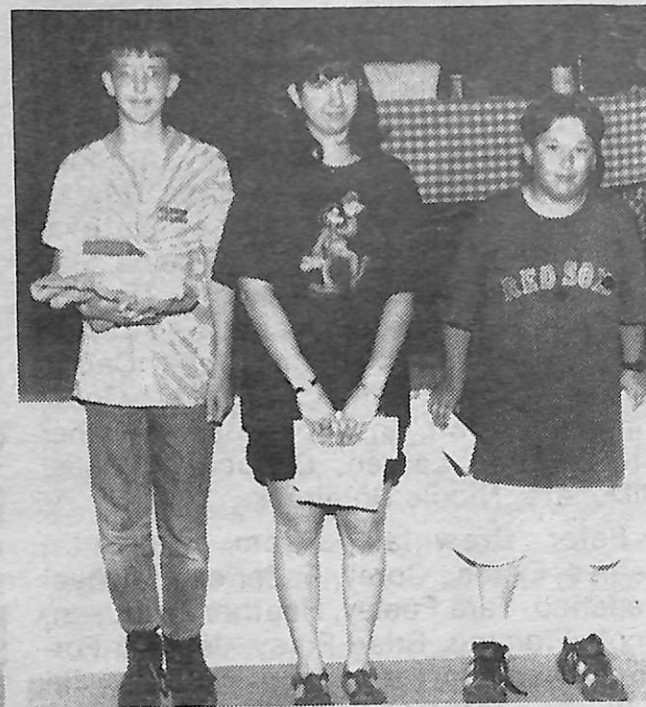


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THE AGAWAM MIDDLE SCHOOL'S Accelerated Reader Program was another big success this past school year. IN PHOTO LEFT are sixth graders who scored over 100 points. The group received T-shirts for their efforts. IN PHOTO RIGHT, top sixth grade scorers included, from left - Michael Follis, 592.7 points; April Rondeau, 488.8 points; and Nathan Skiba, 230.1 points. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

### Kevin Chrisanthopoulos Receives Degree At Western New England Commencement

Kevin Chrisanthopoulos of Agawam was among the 872 graduate and undergraduate students who were awarded degrees from Western New England College at the commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 18, 1996, at the Springfield Civic Center.

Chrisanthopoulos received a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in government from Dr. Beverly W. Miller, president of Western New England College.

Chrisanthopoulos served as vice president of the Political Science Association, was a member

of the Pre-Law Society, and was named to the College's Dean's List.

Western New England College is a private, coeducational institution located on a 184-acre suburban campus in Springfield, MA, with an additional 16 sites throughout the Commonwealth.

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### Jason M. Boduch Is Named To Dean's List At Georgia Tech.

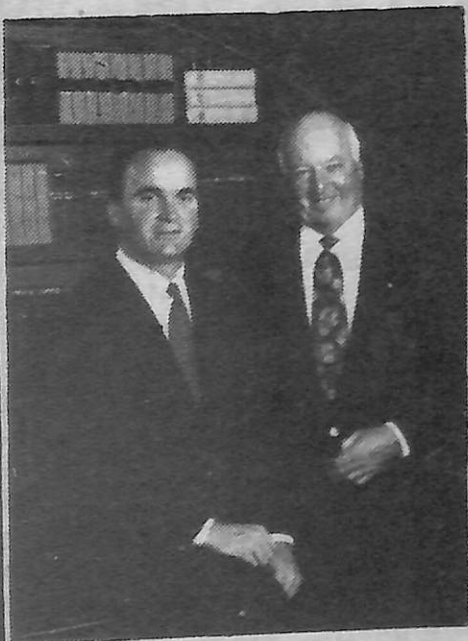
Clint and Dorothy Warren of Albert Street, Agawam, are proud to announce that their grandson, Jason Michael Boduch (formerly of Springfield, MA), has been named to the Dean's List at Georgia Tech.

Jason is a senior at Georgia Tech and is majoring in Computer Science. He is scheduled to graduate in the spring of 1997.

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Peter Drewniak, Adam Ellsworth, James Evans, Corey Federico, Michael Federico, Tara Feeley, Heather Ferguson, Scott Fleming, Brian Foley, Jessica Forni, Megan Gaffney, Sean Gaffney, Jill Gendron, Aaron Gilbert, Gina Goralczyk, Thomas Graveline, Sara Gregory, Ashley Guiel, Stephanie Gumlaw, Ryan Hanley, Corey Hobbs, James Ingari, Amy Jensen, Janet Jock, Lauren Kida, Melissa Knight, David Kowalewski, Megan Landry, Colleen Lawlor, Ryan Lepard, Adam Lopez, Ashlee Lorraine.

Sarah Lottermoser, Gregory Mantolesky, A.J. Martucci, Kelly McNeish, Arlie Meade, Courtney Megatulski, Jennifer Mercadante, Rachel Morris, Adam Mouneimneh, Jeremy Musa, Rebecca Nacewicz, Heather Newalu, Lisa Niedziela, Emily Norris, Lionel Nunez, Aimee Piccin, Jennifer Pietroniro, Stephen Pilegi, Timothy Ranstrom, Travis Reed, Jennifer Reid, Amy Richards, Ryan Richardson, Jonathan Roberts, Alissa Roy, Leila Sekkal, Danielle Sienkiewicz, Nicole Soticheck, Joanna Surowiec, Matthew Szoka, James Wisniewski, Robert Zajac.

### GRADE 7 HONOR ROLL - ALL FOUR TERMS:

Courtney Adamczyk, Danielle Bachini,

Lisa Bienia, Tiffany Blackman, Jenna Bodurtha, Amanda Boissonneault, Anthony Bosini, Kyle Bousquet, Thomas Briotta, Corinne Butova, William Campana, Gina Castellanos, Brady Chianciola, Elizabeth Clark, Keegan Clark, Michael Cook, Timothy Corlett, Shannon Costa, Heather Crescentini, Lauren DeLuca, Nicole Dominick, Peter Drewniak, Adam Ellsworth, Michael Federico, Tara Feeley, Scott Fleming, Jessica Forni, Megan Gaffney.

Aaron Gilbert, Sara Gregory, Ashley Guiel, Stephanie Gumlaw, Corey Hobbs, James Ingari, Lauren Kida, Melissa Knight, Megan Landry, Ryan Lepard, Adam Lopez, A.J. Martucci, Kelly McNeish, Courtney Megatulski, Jennifer Mercadante, Rachel Morris, Rebecca Nacewicz, Emily Norris, Brandon Orsatti, Timothy Ranstrom, Jennifer Reid, Amy Richards, Ryan Richardson, Alissa Roy, Joanna Surowiec, Matthew Szoka, James Wisniewski.

### GRADE 8 - TERM 4:

Chad Albano, Stephen Antaya, Justin Bard, Sara Bates, Sheri Benton, Shawn Biebel, John-Paul Bitgood, Sara Borden, James Borowiec, Amanda Burgess, Jennifer Burke, Neil Butler, Thomas Casiello, Laura Charest, Brian Chechile, Tracy Ciak, Felix Cincotta, Jennifer Cook, Elizabeth Cowan, Valerie Cross, Allison Davis, Michelle Dise, Christine Dodge, Mary-Elizabeth Dupelle, Nicholas Duquette, Stephen Ferreira, Brandon Fiorini, Matthew Gaffney, Alyssa Gagnon, Amanda Galluzzo, Michael Gauthier, Julie Gazar.

Pamela Gervais, Shawn Gessay, Nicole Ghaname, Brian Gilhooly, Carolyn Gomes, Anthony Goodrow, Justin Gorman, Diane Griffin, Brian Gross, David Gusek, Scott Harlin, Scott Harris, Jennifer Harvey, Kelly Heiden, Eric Hoague, Adam Howe, Vanessa Januska, Katherine Kilrain, Kristen Kocot, Nicole Koehler, Brian Landry, Kaila Larivee, Gina

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### GRADE 8 HONOR ROLL - ALL FOUR TERMS:

Sara Borden, Neil Butler, Thomas Casiello, Valerie Cross, Michelle Dise, Christine Dodge, Matthew Gaffney, Alyssa Gagnon, Nicole Ghaname, Justin Gorman.

Adam Howe, Eric Mancini, Stephanie McLane, Dominic Montessi, David Moore, Joshua O'Neill, Brad Therique, Jon Ventulett, Kaitlin White, Krystan Zarr.

### GRADE 8 HONOR ROLL - ALL EIGHT TERMS:

Chad Albano, James Borowiec, Amanda Burgess, Laura Charest, Brian Chechile, Tracy Ciak, Elizabeth Cowan, Mary-Elizabeth Dupelle, Nicholas Duquette, Stephen Ferreira, Amanda Galluzzo, Pamela Gervais, Brian Gilhooly, Anthony Goodrow, Scott Harris, Vanessa Januska.

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## Agawam High School HONOR ROLL

### JUNIORS:

Irina Adzhigirey, Cindi Alfano, Melissa Almquist, Michael Baggetta, Gwendolyn Beaver, Christopher Bednarzyk, Jay Berger, Ann Marie Bianca, Amy Bilodeau, Christopher Bitzas, Tara Bowler, Bethany Bowrys, Amy Bronson, Lori Bryskiewicz, Derek Carpenter, Sharon Chicklas, Joseph Dupelle, Pamela Eaton, Matthew Feato, Sarah Fede, Michael Forastiere, Michael Freeman, Todd Godfrey, Tara Grealis, Heidi Hersey, Wendy Hughes.

Megumi Isogai, Jason Jean, Keith Jendza, Todd Jorgensen, Leslie Kida, Adam Kimball, Paul Lalli, Michael Mangano, David Martin, Marc Moccio, Kristine Modzelesky, Karen Nasiatka, Michelle O'Connor, Lori O'Dea, Jeanne O'Neil, Patricia Olson, Diane Parslow, Jill Pavelcsyk, Amy Powell, Rita Reshamwala, Kate Rouvellat, Steven Rovithis, Richard Skowrya, Jennifer Stratton, Nikki Suffriti, Christopher Sullivan, Kevin Tampone, Melissa Troie, Katie Wells.

### SOPHOMORES:

Katherine Anderson, Darcy Bates, Heidi Benton, Jonathan Bernard, Melissa Boissonneault, Sarah Bonini, Robert Bousquet, Irene Brown, Tracy Butler, Jaime Callahan, Mara Cavanaugh, Geof-

frey Ciak, Amber Conte, Jason Cook, John Cordis, Kevin Cornwell, Jonathan Couture, Lonnie DeLuca, Jill DeMarco, Maureen Dimock, Sara Drenzek, Kristin Lee Ferguson, Jessica Ferris, Stephanie Fleming, Jessica Francis, Seema Gada, Richard Haglund, Jr., Jessica Hansen, Daniel Hendrix.

Michele Ingalls, Christina Januska, Shaun Kane, Geoffrey Krapf, Aimee LaBaff, Cheryl Lanier, Karen Lapienski, Tae Geon Lee, Courtney Locke, Kin Ly, Jeffrey Lyman, Raena Major, Gary Mantolesky, Gina Markowski, Amy Mastroiani, Brian Melloni, Bryan O'Quinn, Raymond Olkowski, Erin Ottomaniello, Kristen Patterson, Brooke Ramah, Eric Robinson, Jennifer Rondinelli, Alison Scherban, Karen Shaw, Elisabeth Shea, Shawn Sherry, Jennifer Smist, Andrew St. Jean, Daryl St. Laurent, Jennifer Thibodeau, Bradford Tilden, Ryan White, Scott Yarmowicz, Jennifer Zerra.

### FRESHMEN:

Diane Abdala, Brett Adamczyk, Peter Alsis, Daniel Balbony, Michelle Beaudette, Pia Bertone-Gross, Michelle Bitgood, Erik Bodurtha, Kimberly Bosini, Danielle Bourdeau, Jessica Lynn Briotta,

Sally Cadieux, Amy Champagne, Andrea Cizek, Glenn Corlett, Melissa Crough, Danielle DeForge, Charles Denison IV, Ann Marie DiMauro, Shaunessy Egan, David Federico, Joseph Fiore, Jason Flood, Jason Gagne, Christina Gregory, Jason Grimaldi, Erin Hanley, Larry Hoague, Brian Howes, Heather Marie Hughes.

Alison Jackobek, Gregory Jubinville, Dominik Koleczek, Evan Konopka, Anthony Kosinski, Justin Kratovil, Paul LaBarre, Antonio Laudati, Jennifer Loomis, Nicole Macey, Martha Manning, Diana Marsh, Lisa Marsh, Jennifer McGuire, Brenna McGinn, Holly Moren, Leila Mouneimneh, Kornelia Moysis, Scott Murphy, Sarah Nacewicz.

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*Congratulations To All Honor Roll Students!*



## Artists Of Month



AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH students who were recently named "Artists of the Month" included, from left - Tim Chretien, Donald Samol, and Stephanie McLane. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## AHS's Class Of 1986 To Hold Barbecue

To commemorate its 10-year reunion, Agawam High School's class of 1986 will be holding an outdoor barbecue on Saturday, September 7, 1996 at Shaker Farms Country Club, Shaker Road, Westfield.

There will be games, a D.J., and a full bar. Bring the kids.

Adults are \$20, and kids over five years of age are \$7.

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## Middle School HONOR ROLL

### GRADE 6:

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Jennifer Dobise, Caira Dominguez, Kara Dominick, Scott Drenzek, Matthew Duplessis, Ronald Dutton, Kyleigh Egan, Kathryn Feato, Amanda Fox, Kei Fujioka, Kara Gilhooly, Erinn Gloster, Hilary Golas, Alyssa Goodrow, Sarah Hamel, Erin Jackson, Craig Jendza, Nicole Jensen, James Johnson, Jennifer Jutte, Karl Konopka, Andrew Korney, Michael Kosinski, Kimberly Landry, Jillian Lawson.

Jacqueline LeGrand, Amanda Lemieux, John Lynch, Lauren Malone, Andrew Mancini, Kristin Mantolesky, Denis Marchetto, Brianna Maroni, Erika Martin, Brian McGuire, Kristina Midura, Tabatha Montemorra, Brian Moore, Kaitlin Morris, Melissa Nahajlo, Michael Noes, Courtney Nowill, Christina O'Brien, Daniel O'Neill, Matthew O'Neill, Elizabeth Perry, Shawn Poirier, Joshua Rheault.

April Rondeau, Adam Rovithis, Jessica Roy, Paul Ruccio, Michael Ruscio, Jaclyne Sapelli, Jenna Shea, Catherine Sheehan, Brittany Shields, Maureen Skehan, Nathan Skiba, Michael Skowron, Kevin Sliech, Stephanie Smith, Julia Spear, Suzanne Svadeba, Katelyn Tierney, Amanda Trujillo, Marc Tully, Paul Versace, Holly Walker, Joseph Wentworth, Meredith Willett, Aaron Wyman, Lucy Emma Young, Leah Zordani.

### GRADE 5:

Kevin Athas, Joshua Aubin, Andrea Babbini, Michael Bachini, Kevin Baptiste, Catherine Baum, Aimee Beaudette, Rebecca Berta, Thomas Bertrand, David Robert Bienia, Ashley Blanchard, Stacy

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Danielle Cirillo, P. Joseph Clark, Andrea Conte, Heather Cox, Kelly Curry, Lieghanna Daigneau, Jenine Davignon, Christopher Davis, Matthew Davis, Gary Dionne, Kelly Doyle, Daniel Stephen Drowniak, Suzanne Dudley, Chad Farrington, Jessica Ferreira, Michael Ferrigno, Kevin Fleming, Allyson Gavron, Nicole Gessay, Daniel Gomes, Andrea Jean Greaney, Kevin Grimaldi, Kaitlyn Haglund, Elizabeth Marie Haire, Ian Hamlett.

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Maureen Quinlan, Kelly Reilly, Nicole Joy Rheume, Matthew Rivard, Shawn Roberts, Ashley Robidoux, Laurence Rocke, David Rosenberg, Victoria Ruhl, Yole Russo, Gina Saimer, Kaitlin Sardella, Salema Sekkal, Jennifer Sharpe, Devin Shoemaker, Alexandra Simmons, Joseph Stevenson, Amanda Stork, Shannalyn Strack, Daniel Sullivan, Benjamin Sunny, Jeffrey Surprenant, Victoria Taylor, Brittany Heather Therique, Cori Ann Verteramo, Nicole Mary Watt, Cylyn Williams, Tara Ashley Witte, Andrew Wynne, Ryan Joseph Zaczynski, Laura Zerra, Andrey Zubenko.



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## AHS Grads Named National Scholar/Athletes



1996 AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES Susan DeFilipi and Andrew Markowski were the recipients of the United States Army Reserve National Scholar/Athletes Award for academic and athletic excellence. Susan will be attending Western New England College and Andrew will be attending Union College in Schenectady, New York. Pictured with Susan and Andrew is Sergeant Noel (who presented the awards).

### Michael J. Natale, Jr. Earns Degree From Johnson & Wales Univ.

Johnson & Wales University honored nine industry leaders in the fields of business, hospitality, and culinary arts and awarded 2,826 degrees at its 82nd graduation exercises on Saturday, May 25t, in Providence, Rhode Island.

Among the graduates was Michael J. Natale, Jr., son of Kathleen and Michael Natale, Sr., of 155 Pineview Circle, Agawam. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing.

Founded in 1914, Johnson & Wales University is an accredited, private institution offering undergraduate and graduate degrees in business, food service, hospitality, and technology.

With an enrollment of more than 10,000 students, Johnson & Wales is based in Providence, Rhode Island, and maintains campuses in Charleston, South Carolina, Norfolk, Virginia, North Miami, Florida, and Vail, Colorado.

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### Agawam Students On Dean's List At Merrimack College

The following Feeding Hills residents were among those students who were named to the dean's list at Merrimack College in North Andover, Massachusetts:

**Ryan D. Henderson** of 33 Tom Street, a freshman Civil Engineering major.

**Dina D. DeMarco** of 34 Stony Hill Road, a freshman Biology major.

To be named to the dean's list, students must achieve a minimum of a 3.25 grade-point average (based on 4.0).

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**PHELPS SCHOOL THIRD GRADE** students Toni Harnois, Candace Collins, and Heather Darnell were prize winners in the Annual Draw Against Joe Camel Anti-Smoking Contest held for 3rd graders throughout Hampden and Hampshire County. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Phelps Students Win Anti-Smoking Contest

Third grade Phelps School students Toni Harnois, Candace Collins, and Heather Darnell were prize winners in the Annual Draw Against Joe Camel Anti-Smoking Contest held for third graders throughout Hampden and Hampshire Counties. Forty-nine students participated throughout the region.

Toni was the grand prize winner for all of Hampden County. Heather and Candace were finalists and received finalists' certificates, gift certificates from McDonald's, and a pass to the Mt. Tom Summerslide. Toni received all of the above plus a \$100 savings bond.

All of the third grade students at Phelps who participated in the contest also received McDonald's certificates.

### Jessica T. Liptak On College Honors Lists

Jessica T. Liptak of Feeding Hills, a Class of 1997 member and History major at Framingham State College, has been named to the Dean's list and the President's list for the Spring 1996 semester.

To be selected for the Dean's list, a student must earn a Quality Point Average (Q.P.A.) of 3.25 or higher.

To be selected for the President's list, a student must make the Dean's list for three consecutive semesters.

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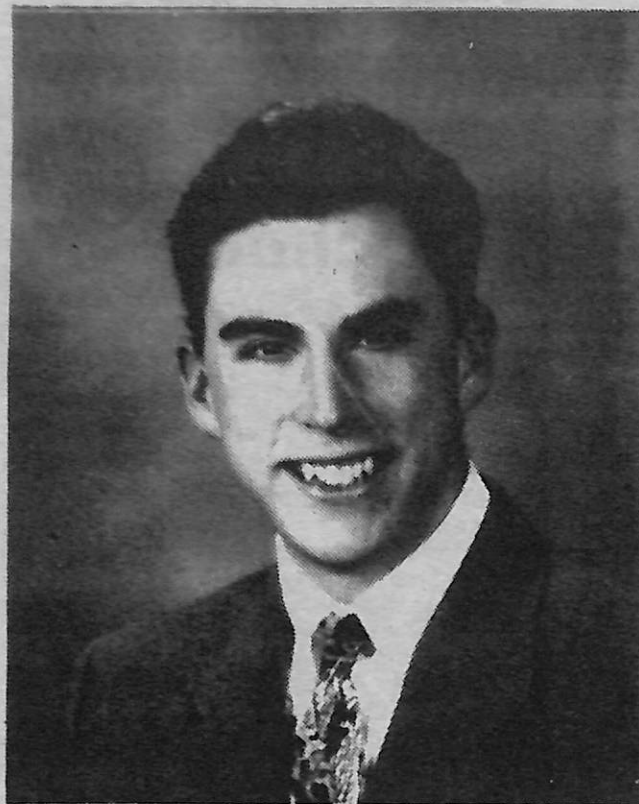
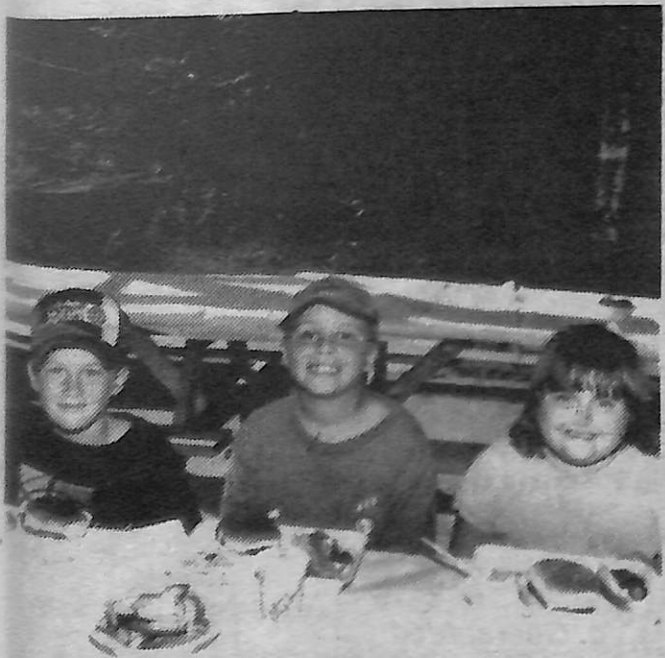
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## Granger School Picnic



GRANGER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL held its Annual Family Picnic at Perry Lane Park on Friday, June 21st. IN FIRST PHOTO pictured are dads John Lavin, Carl Roberts, Bob Sabola, and Glen Lafontaine helping out with the grill; IN SECOND PHOTO, some of the moms helping out were Kathy Savard, Judy Lavin, Corinne Lafontaine, and Cindy Bock; IN THIRD PHOTO, Granger students Matt Sabola, Kevin Roberts, and Jessica Beroth enjoy their hamburgers and hot dogs. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



RICHARD E. CARRA

### Richard E. Carra Graduates Magna Cum Laude From W.S.C.

Richard E. Carra of Agawam was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Information Systems from Westfield State College at the commencement ceremony which was held on May 25, 1996.

He is the son of Richard and Jeanne Carra of Primrose Lane, Agawam.

Richard attained the Dean's List all four years and graduated magna cum laude from the college. He is a member of Alpha Chi, a National College Honor Scholarship Society.

Richard is employed by Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company as an assistant computer systems analyst.



MATHEW FORASTIERE

### Mathew Forastiere To Attend Suffolk Univ.

Mathew P. Forastiere, son of Peter and Debbie Forastiere of 34 Willowbrook Drive, Agawam, recently graduated from Bridgton Academy in North Bridgton, Maine.

Mathew graduated with honors at the 188th commencement exercises on May 11th. He was also a member of the Academy's ski and baseball teams.

He will be attending Suffolk University in Boston, majoring in Business Administration.

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## Sports

# Second Grader At Phelps School Shows Bowling Skills In 10-Pin

by Peggy Shoemaker  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Eight year-old Steven Scott Powers, Jr., of North Alhambra Circle, won 20 trophies in the 1995/96 10-pin bowling season. He uses an eight-pound bowling ball and bowls in a youth group of eight to 11 year-olds.

Steve's dad has built special shelves in his bedroom to hold the array of trophies Steve has won.

The second grader at Phelps School started bowling at age three when bumpers would be raised to keep the balls on the alleys, his mother Pam said.

Steve bowls every Saturday from September through April in a youth bowling league at Riverdale Lanes, West Springfield, and is a member of the Youth Bowling League Association.

This past season, Steve's team (named "The Game Killers" by the members) took first place in the City of Springfield Tournament in February. He was first in his team in the eight to 11 year-old division and received a trophy.

Steve came in second place in the Coca-Cola Tournament on April 13th at Ken's Bowling in Pittsfield. He received a \$135 scholarship and a

trophy. He took first place in the Bantam Division in the King of the Hill Tournament at Airway Lanes on April 14th.

After an outstanding season, Steve did not do well at the state finals in May in Shrewsbury, his mother said, adding that last year he came in third in the state in his Division at Lowell, MA.

In the Greater Springfield Area, Youth American Bowling Alliance (City Association, Bantam Division), Steve's individual scores which won him three trophies were high game scratch, 139; high average, 94; and high series scratch, 353. The trophies were awarded recently at a bowling banquet at the World War II Veterans' Club in Northampton.

Since bowling is a winter sport, it ended in time for Little League, and Steve plays shortstop for the Dodgers at the Little League field on School Street. In season, he also plays soccer for the Agawam Parks and Recreation Department, and his dad is a soccer coach.

Steve is the son of Steven Scott, Sr., and Pamela Powers, and he has a three year-old brother, Joey. They all encourage his interest in sports.



**EIGHT YEAR-OLD** Steven Scott Powers, Jr., of North Alhambra Circle, shows off the trophies he has won on the youth 10-pin bowling circuit. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Agawam Slo-Pitch Women's League Members Have A Blast At Annual All-Star Game

It was game time minus 30 minutes. Bright sunshine and warm temperatures combined with the anticipation of a good and enjoyable game.

Enter Brenda Lamagdeleine, coach of Team 2, and Larry Wilson, coach of Team 1. Both of them have been friendly adversaries for many years from Cocchi Marketing and TJ Sporthouse, respectively.

Anticipation, however, quickly turns into frustration — the playing field is muddy and full of holes. Out came the rake and shovel, and with some volunteer help, work began to restore the field to playing condition. Somewhere, someone was saying to himself, "Oops!"

Work continued as one umpire showed up to do the game. She said to the group working, "There's supposed to be two of us, and game time by my schedule is now." Somewhere out in the wild blue yonder echoed another, "Oops!"

Players from Balzer's, TJ's, Caprisi, Southworth, and the Tanning Room began to filter in. Unfortunately, there still was no second umpire.

More players from the Bad News Bears, Bobby's Bistro, Club 57, and Cocchi Marketing began to arrive. But where were the spectators and the second umpire? And the game balls — who's got those? Ground rules were given anyway, and the preparations were made to make out lineups, etc.

All the ingredients were there for an evening of total disaster. But wait, someone must have waved a magic wand, for behold a second umpire appeared, all players were present, and the game balls were there! There was more good news — spectators were arriving in droves, and it was game time!

Butterflies are abundant as each player receives their instructions from their respective coaches. Scorekeeper Linda Wilson mentioned, "I hope you're keeping track of all these players."

And then more magic happened. These women All-Stars (chosen by their teammates) had a great

game. It began with Team 2 batting first, going four and out with good defense by Team 1. Team 1 responded quickly offensively, scoring six runs in their half of the inning. \*\*\*

The "away" half of the second inning brought out their smoking bats, resulting in four runs. That seemed to get everyone's attention, as the next couple of innings were relatively quiet with defense on both sides taking control.

In the fourth, the home team took advantage of some speed and smart hitting to score four. Knowing the caliber of players on both sides, no one relaxed.

Defense was the name of the game with outstanding plays from Maria at second, and Yvonne Percy and Lois DiPalma on the left side for Team 2. Team 1 had outstanding pitching from Tammi DuFrane and some spectacular catches from Marian Dippel and Laura Parker.

Low scoring in the middle innings left the game in doubt for some time. Two runs in the seventh by Team 1 and three more in the eighth (capped by a homerun by Tami DeFrane) put the game out of reach for Brenda's team.

Excellent umpiring by the two USSSA members contributed to a wonderful game. The spectators wore themselves out cheering and applauding the excellent batting and superb defense of these women.

Quoting these two quality umpires: "We saw and judged an excellent game; we saw good hitting and a lot of great defensive plays."

Congratulations to all who participated, be it on the field, looking on, cheering, keeping score, or coaching. Well done!

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## Youth Football Plans Final Sign-Up For Fall

The second and final player registration will be held on Saturday morning, July 20, 1996 at the Phelps Little League field from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. New players must submit a copy of their birth certificate at registration.

The junior team is for those entering the fourth, fifth, or sixth grade in September. Junior players cannot turn 13 years of age on or before December 31, 1996. Because of the large number of junior applicants at the first registration, junior players signing up on July 20th will be placed on a waiting list. Additional openings to the junior squad will be filled based upon the order in which the application is received on July 20th. The waiting list program applies to the JUNIOR SQUAD ONLY.

The senior squad is made up of players entering the seventh and eighth grade this fall. Senior players cannot turn 15 years of age on or before December 31, 1996.

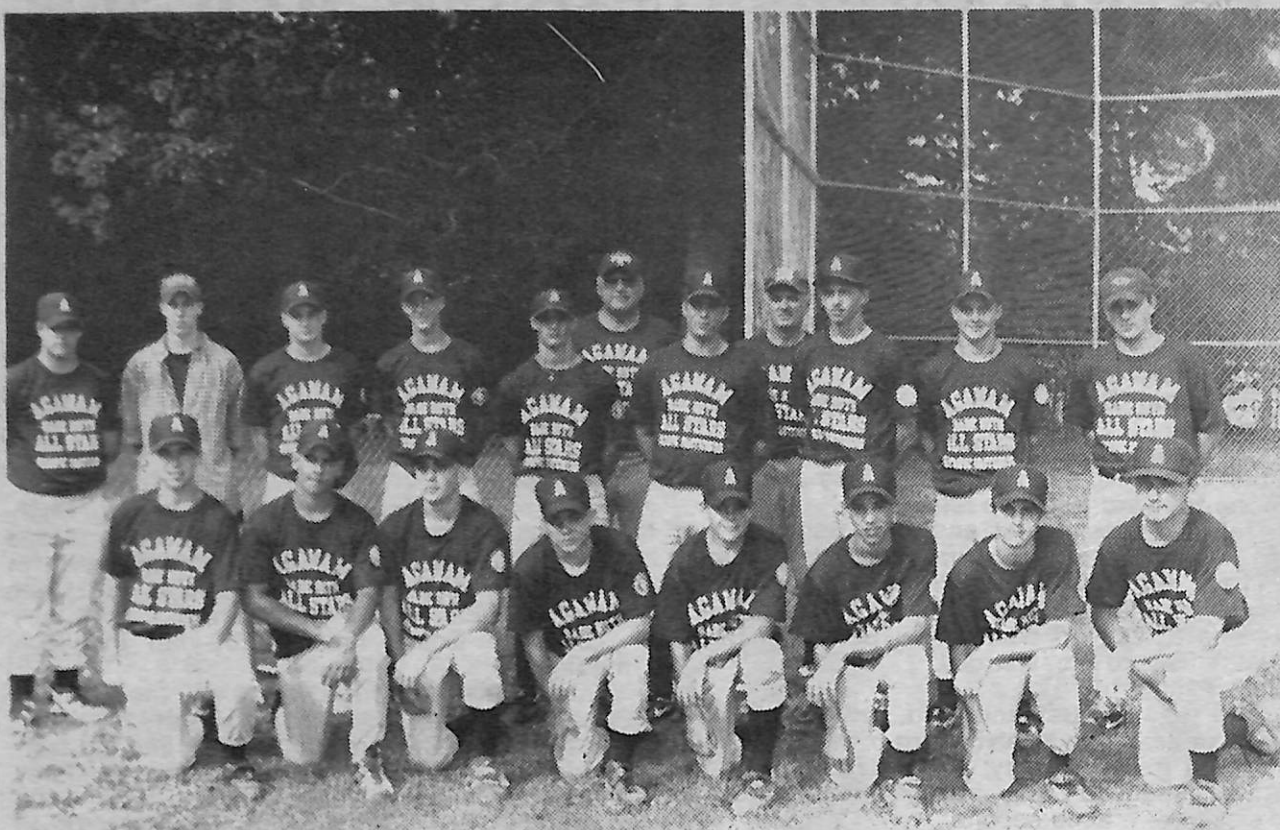
The registration fee is still \$75 per player. The fee for families with more than one child registering is \$100 per family. Coaches and staff will be available to answer questions about the football program.

The first practice is slated for Thursday, August 1, 1996, so be sure to attend this final registration session. Please call 786-7361 if you have any further questions or concerns regarding registration.

## Agawam Little League Final Standings

MINOR LEAGUE	W	L
Parrotta's Auto Sales Athletics	13	1
Ayre Real Estate Giants	12	1
Lions Club Orioles	10	4
Bolduc Printing Yankees	9	4
Luigi's Pizza & Pasta Braves	8	5
Polish Club Royals	6	7
Teddy Bear Pools Mets	5	9
Dreyer Plumb. & Heat Dodgers	4	11
Longhi's Golf Center Indians	1	13
VFW Post 1632 Red Sox	0	15

## 13-15 Babe Ruth All-Stars

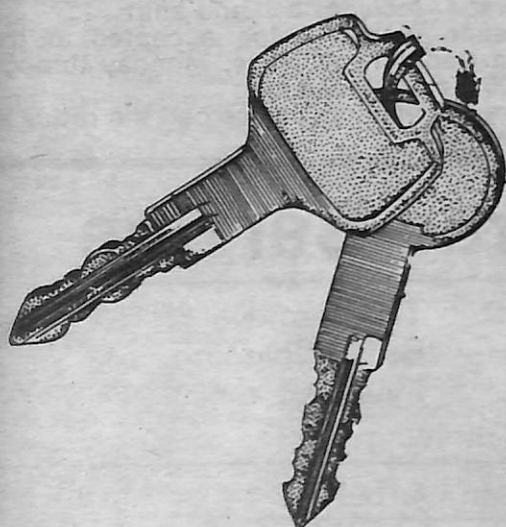


MEMBERS OF AGAWAM'S 13-15 Babe Ruth All-Stars recently competed in the regional Babe Ruth Tournament. Back row, from left - Coaches Christian DeBonville, Dave Gallerani, and John DeBonville. Back row - James Iannarelli, Bret Adamsek, Ryan Drobot, Kevin Mattson, Alex Almquist, Robbie Liard, Matt Albano, and Brian Machos. Front row - Tim Faust, Tommy Roberts, Kevin Hill, Chris Wayte, Dave Gallerani, Dave Federico, Scott Harlin, and Jay Plamondin. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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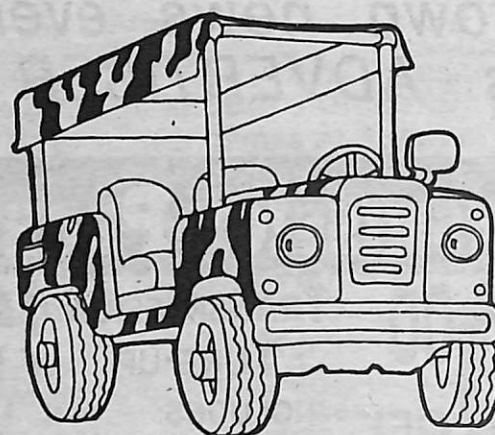
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## Piranha Swimmers Defeat West Side

The Agawam Piranhas swim team won against the West Springfield team by a score of 340-305 on June 25, 1996 at the Agawam Junior High School. The results included:

### Girls 8 & under:

Jennifer Sacco, first in 25-yard freestyle, and third in 50-yard freestyle; Jennifer Sacco, second, and Megan Lalli, third in 25-yard backstroke; Caitlin Hurley, third in 25-yard breaststroke.

### Boys 8 & under:

The team of Shaun Bruso, Benjamin Bruso, Jeffrey Lagasse, and Brian Boglisch placed first in the 100-yard medley relay.

Benjamin Bruso, first in 100-yard individual medley.

The team of Shaun Bruso, Benjamin Bruso, Brian Boglisch, and Jeffrey Lagasse placed first in the 100-yard freestyle relay.

Jeffrey Lagasse, first, and Brian Boglisch, third in 25-yard freestyle; Jeffrey Lagasse, first in 25-yard butterfly; Shaun Bruso, first in 50-yard freestyle; Shaun Bruso, first, and Brian Boglisch, second in 25-yard backstroke; Benjamin Bruso, first in 25-yard breaststroke.

### Girls 9-10:

The team of Bethany Reid, Leigh Stepanian, Jessica Lalli, and Kristyn Ward placed first in the 200-yard freestyle relay; and the team of Angela Vinton, Rebecca Carey, Irena Klimczak, and Julia Weisgerber placed second.

Bethany Reid, first, and Julia Weisgerber, second in 100-yard individual medley; Leigh Stepanian, first, and Jessica Lalli, second in 50-yard freestyle; Abriana Spagnoli, first in 50-yard butterfly; Julia Weisgerber, first, and Leigh Stepanian, third in 100-yard freestyle; Kristyn Ward, first, and Jessica Lalli, third in 50-yard backstroke; Bethany Reid, first, and Irena Klimczak, second in 50-yard breaststroke.

### Boys 9-10:

Connor Dooley, third in 100-yard freestyle, and third in 50-yard backstroke; Anthony Ruelli, third in 50-yard breaststroke.

### Girls 11-12:

The team of Kimberly Chmura, Allison Morris, Christina Climo, and Brittany Theriaque placed first in the 200-yard medley relay.

Christina O'Brien, first in 200-yard individual medley.

The team of Kimberly Chmura, Allison Morris, Brittany Theriaque, and Christina O'Brien placed second in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Christina O'Brien, first, and Christina Climo, third in 200-yard freestyle; Kimberly Chmura, third in 50-yard freestyle; Christina Climo, third in 50-yard butterfly; Christina Climo, first, and Lindsey Francis, second in 100-yard freestyle; Allison Morris, second in 50-yard breaststroke.

### Boys 11-12:

The team of Daniel Adamski, Laurence Roche, Paul Lagasse, and Kyle Sullivan placed first in the

200-yard medley relay.

Daniel Adamski, first in 200-yard individual medley.

The team of Daniel Adamski, Matt Lawlor, Kyle Sullivan, and Paul Lagasse placed first in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Paul Lagasse, first, Laurence Roche, second, and Michael Lalli, third in 200-yard freestyle; Daniel Adamski, first, Kyle Sullivan, second, and Matt Lawlor, third in 50-yard freestyle; Paul Lagasse, first in 50-yard butterfly; Kyle Sullivan, first, and Matt Lawlor, second in 100-yard freestyle; Matt Lawlor, first, and Laurence Roche, third in 50-yard backstroke; Michael Follis, first, Laurence Roche, second, and Michael Lalli, third in 50-yard breaststroke.

### Girls 13-14:

In the 200-yard medley relay, the team of Shannon Costa, Katherine Chmura, Rachel Morris, and Heather Scarlett placed first; and the team of Rebecca Morytko, Lauren Kunkler, Elizabeth Dowd, and Erika Dowd placed third.

Shannon Costa, first in 200-yard individual medley.

In the 200-yard freestyle relay, the team of Shannon Costa, Rachel Morris, Heather Scarlett, and Katherine Chmura placed first; and the team of Jennifer Reid, Kaitlin Morris, Katherine Carey, and Katie Gallagher placed third.

Jennifer Reid, second, and Elizabeth Dowd, third in 200-yard freestyle; Shannon Costa, first, and Heather Scarlett, third in 50-yard freestyle; Katherine Chmura, third in 100-yard butterfly; Rachel Morris, second, and Heather Scarlett, third in 100-yard freestyle; Rachel Morris, first, and Katie Gallagher, third in 100-yard backstroke; Katherine Chmura, first, Jennifer Reid, second, and Lauren Kunkler, third in 100-yard breaststroke.

### Boys 13-14:

Nathan Adamski, second in 200-yard freestyle; Thomas Graveline, first, and Matthew Francis, second in 50-yard freestyle; Nathan Adamski, first in 100-yard butterfly; Nathan Adamski, second, and Thomas Graveline, third in 100-yard freestyle; Thomas Graveline, second in 100-yard backstroke.

### Girls 15-18:

Eileen Daly, first in 200-yard individual medley, and second in 200-yard freestyle; Sarah Nacewicz, first, and Brenna McGinn, third in 50-yard freestyle; Eileen Daly, first in 100-yard butterfly; Sarah Nacewicz, first, and Brenna McGinn, second in 100-yard freestyle; Brenna McGinn, second in 100-yard backstroke; Sarah Nacewicz, second in 100-yard breaststroke.

### Boys 15-18:

Joel Ward, first in 50-yard freestyle, second in 100-yard freestyle, and second in 100-yard breaststroke.



## Golf Tip Of The Week...

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## On And Around The Green

I promise you, if I were a doctor I could solve a lot of the problems that people have with their chipping and pitching. I'd have them grip their pitching wedge, and then I'd put both wrists in a cast.

Once the cast hardened, we would go out to a green. I would have them address the ball with it slightly back in their stance, and then tell them to just think about one thing: moving the clubhead with their shoulders and arms.

Putting their wrists in a cast would prevent them from trying to help the ball up in the air, or trying to get cute and cut the ball into the air for added spin. All they could do is take the club straight back and through, concentrating on making solid contact every time — which is all that is required to become a good pitcher and chipper of the ball.

## Recreation Dept. Still Has Openings In Some Summer Programs

The Agawam Recreation Department still has openings in the following summer programs:

\* **Swim Lessons:** July 15th-26th; July 29th-August 9th; August 12th-23rd. Cost is \$15 per session.

Youth, 4:00 to 4:30 p.m., & 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.; Pre-School (two years, nine months through four years), 5:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Adult, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. (NO CHARGE). Aqua Aerobics, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. (adults, \$25; seniors, \$15).

All lessons are held at Perry Lane Park Pool.

\* **Adult Tennis Lessons:** Mondays, July 15th through August 19th (\$20/six weeks).

6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Agawam High School tennis courts.

Instructor: Rudy Altobelli.

\* **Youth Football Camp:** Sponsored by the New England Patriots and the Agawam Recreation Department.

Boys and girls ages seven to 14; July 15th through 19th, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Phelps Field.

\$110/person - includes ball and shirt.

Registration is now being accepted at the Recreation Department Office, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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# Good Food, Drink & Water Will Abound At LPGA Classic

It was General "Black Jack" Pershing who coined the phrase, "An army travels on its stomach."

That timeworn cliché could also apply to sporting events. Because as anyone who attends them knows, both the pros and the fans watching it all include food as an important part of the festivities.

Black Jack's observation is not lost on the folks running the upcoming LPGA Friendly's Classic at the Crestview Country Club in Agawam. "We started planning the food services for everybody a good month ago," Crestview General Manager Kevin Vitale said.

Vitale is responsible for the procurement of food and the logistics involved in getting it distributed to the hungry people at the Classic. "Having a sponsor (Friendly's) in the food service business makes my job a little easier," he smiled. "Our big consideration is always to the fans. Serving them is our primary goal."

To that end, there will be concession stands set up at every strategic area on the course. "We want to make sure that if you are out on the third or fourth hole (that is way out), you won't have to make a sustenance safari back to the clubhouse to get a hot dog or a hamburger," Vitale said.

They'll get the food out to the far-flung areas in 18-wheelers. The big rigs weigh 12 tons apiece and can carry enough grub to keep a small army on the move. They'll use access roads and other means of egress to get the job done.

"Last year we had to restock the stands at least four times a day for 50,000 spectators. This year the LPGA predicts a turnout of around 80,000. That number translates into more supplies all around," Vitale noted.

They didn't have many problems last year. But one they did have was particularly annoying — lack of ice. By the weekend, it was being carefully rationed. "That will not happen this time around," Vitale promised. "We'll have a refrigeration truck within fast and easy reach of every concession for the run of the tournament."

The food will be of the one-on-one variety. "We'll have hot dogs, hamburgers, fries, and ice cream. It's the kind of traditional fare people are used to getting when they go to an athletic event. It's good and there will be plenty of it. And," he added, "water will be available all over the place." (Last year, most of the water taps on the course were turned off.)

## Special Treats For The Fans...

Special treats for the fans will be the ice cream which made Friendly's famous. "They are also going to try some new flavors at the tournament to see how the people like them," Vitale said.

For the first time, there will be a food court in the main parking lot. A big circus tent will cover it. People will be able to have a sit-down meal there.

Exactly how much food will there be at this year's tournament? "I don't really have any hard figures on that," Vitale admitted. "I can give you an example, though. Last year, we probably went through about 50,000 pounds of hot dogs. Projections this year say we'd better have about 70,000 pounds on hand. Ground beef for the hamburgers will be substantial, as well."

To that end, an entire parking lot will be designated for a fleet of 18-wheelers — sort of a mobile warehouse. "Our sponsors will make sure we don't run out of anything," Vitale added.

They will sell beer at the tournament. "They'll have it at every concession stand," he noted. "As always, we'll have extra police on hand. We didn't have any problems with it last year. We don't expect any this time out. You can't go up and order a hot dog and a beer. You have to get the brew separately. That way, we can monitor sales so no

minors are being served.

"Actually," he continued, "people don't go through as much beer as you'd think when it is really hot. They want water. Last year, we were stocked to the gills with soda and beer. But, as you might remember, it was so hot that water carried most of the days. There seems to be a formula here. Sunny, dry days call for a beer. Sunny, hot, and very humid days beg for water," Vitale said.

While the fans enjoy their day out on the fairways, another kind of spectacle will be going on in the main clubhouse. "The toughest and hottest ticket at the tournament will be a Clubhouse pass," he admitted. "They are reserved mostly for major sponsors, LPGA, Tournament, and Crestview supporters, along with people who stepped up to the plate to help us over the past year."

They'll step up to quite a plate in the Clubhouse. "It's red carpet all the way. Friendly's and our other sponsors have given us a green light and a blank check for the clubhouse patrons. It was elaborate last year. Nothing has changed," Vitale said.

Breakfast will start out with 40 to 50 items on the menu in the Clubhouse. Lunch, also consisting of 40 to 50 items, will be buffet style, with a different theme every day. There will be 30 to 40 hors d'oeuvres to choose from at each meal. And there will be a full-stocked, complimentary bar. The patrons will eat in the main dining room, which has a spectacular view of the golf course.

Vitale added, "For over a month now, we've had people calling us in an effort to get into the Clubhouse."

## "Tending" To The Pros...

The fans, sponsors, and other notables at the Friendly's Classic will be well-tended, but what about the pros? After all, while the folks pay the freight, they carry the weight.

"We take care of the players differently than just about any other tournament," Vitale revealed. "They normally get the usual — seven days of cold cut platters, potato and macaroni salad, and chips."

The pros know their bodies are their meal tickets. They try to eat well so that ticket won't get punched. They eat a lot of fruit, salads, and foods full of carbohydrates. Friendly's, being in the food and hospitality business, is well aware of what the lady pros want.

Vitale explains the drill. "Every day they're here, we make sure there are at least 30 fruits on hand, including oranges, apples, peaches, grapefruit, mangos, kiwis, watermelon, and a bunch more. We slice and prepare the fruits for them. We have 20 to 30 specialty salads ready to be prepared if they want a salad. When they want dinner, they'll find something different every day, from the traditional cold cut plate to a Southern barbeque to Italian to Chinese. They loved the way we did it last year."

The tournament also has something for the pros called the "quiet room." Vitale talked about it. "The pros are under a tremendous amount of stress. Remember, they are business people engaged in a very tough business. We provide a private place just for them. The fans and reporters are not allowed in there. They can relax for a while in comfortable chairs. There are 10 telephones on the wall connected to outside lines. They can use them to set up future tournament appearances, talk to family and friends, or their agents and business partners." He added, "We even have food for them in there."

The point of the whole thing is satisfied customers and satisfied competitors. Good food and plenty of it has a lot to do with the whole thing.



CRESTVIEW COUNTRY CLUB General Manager Kevin Vitale is in charge of food and the logistics in getting it to the hungry people at the Friendly's LPGA Classic starting on July 15th.

## Sunday Night Summer Soccer League

EASTERN DIVISION	W	L	T	P
Greece	1	0	1	3
Holland	1	0	1	3
Germany	0	1	1	1
Italy	0	1	1	1

CENTRAL DIVISION	W	L	T	P
France	2	0	0	4
Nigeria	1	1	0	2
Ireland	1	1	0	2
England	0	2	0	0

WESTERN DIVISION	W	L	T	P
U.S.A.	1	0	1	3
Brazil	1	0	1	3
Argentina	1	1	0	2
Mexico	0	2	0	0

## RESULTS OF SUNDAY, JULY 7TH (All games at Agawam High School)

Germany 0, Greece 0

Italy 1, Holland 1

Ireland 2, England 1

France 2, Nigeria 1

U.S.A. 2, Brazil 2

Argentina 4, Mexico 2

Holland 2, Germany 1

Greece 4, Italy 2

Nigeria 1, England 0

France 6, Ireland 0

U.S.A. 7, Argentina 0

Brazil 1, Mexico 0

## Final SHAA Girls' Softball Standings

8-10 GIRLS	W	L
New Horizons	8	2
Hastie Fence	7	3
Agawam Lions Club	5	5
Universal Plastics	5	5
West Bank	3	7
Thomas Locke Esq.	2	8

### LEAGUE CHAMPS 1996:

New Horizons (Orange)

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Agawam Lions Club (Red)

10-13 GIRLS	W	L
Ideal Contractor	11	1
T&R Wholesale	9	2
John's Trucking	8	4
Ken's Eyewear	5	7
Micro-Test	5	7
Steven's Travel	3	9
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## Annual Council On Aging Golf Tourney



THE AGAWAM COUNCIL ON AGING (COA) held its Annual Golf Tournament recently at Agawam Country Club. From left, some of the participants included Peter Forastiere (COA chairman), Joe DeCaro, Mark Smith, Bob Watson, and Charlie Heyl (golf committee chairman). AT RIGHT, COA Chairman Peter Forastiere forgot something during his swing, like hitting the ball. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

## Agawam Little League All-Stars



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM LITTLE LEAGUE All-Star Team. Back row, from left - Coach Pete Clark, Mike Cook, Billy Menard, Jeff Carmody, Matt Zajdel, Brandon Donovan, Marc Barcomb, and Coach Mark Yacavone. Middle row - Joe Clark, Shawn Mercadante, Mike Carmody, Brian McGuire, Jason Sheridan, and Ryan Sullivan. Front row - Steven Carmody, Evan Machos, Nick DePalma, Jay Yarymowicz, and Tommy Mercadante.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## "Summer Skate To Ski Race Camp" To Be Held At Springfield College

A "Summer Skate To Ski Race Camp" will be held this year from July 30th through August 2nd at Springfield College, 263 Alden Street, Springfield, MA.

It will begin with a check-in on July 30th from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., and will conclude with the check-out at 4:00 p.m. on August 2nd. The athletes will stay overnight in the dorms at Springfield College and dine at the Chaney Hall Cafeteria.

Several guest speakers will address the athletes, such as Allen Goldberg (a local sports psychologist) and a wallclimbing expert to teach the proper methods of climbing and repelling.

The camp is offered to girls and boys ages 10 to 17, with the emphasis on building sound ski rac-

ing techniques. Physical, tactical, and psychological aspects of alpine ski training will be focused on during the week of the camp.

Some of the following activities the camp will include are: stubby and full-length training gates; racing tactics (line for G.S. and Slalom); video analysis; use of Olympic-size pool; indoor gym activities and climbing walls.

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## Tri-Town United In Men's Summer Soccer League



TRI-TOWN UNITED player/manager Paul Lapointe (left) is congratulated by supporter Bill Kolodziey and Coach Eddie Santaniello is congratulated by Dave Braskie before the team's first home game at the Jr. High field on June 24th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FORMER COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL soccer players from Agawam, Southwick, and Westfield have formed Tri-Town United, a men's summer team competing in the tough Pioneer Valley Men's Summer Soccer League. The team's home games are at the Agawam Junior High. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## DARE Golf Tourney Set For August 14th At Oak Ridge GC

Agawam D.A.R.E. Officer Donald Gallerani has announced that the Eighth Annual Agawam Police D.A.R.E. Golf Tournament will be held Wednesday, August 14th, at Oak Ridge Golf Course in Feeding Hills, with a shotgun start at 12:00 noon.

The D.A.R.E. Program is an important and successful anti-drug and violence program conducted by the Agawam Police Department and the Agawam Public Schools. The program is geared toward school children at the elementary and middle school age. It intelligently teaches them to say "NO" to drugs and violence. The D.A.R.E. Program in Agawam is funded solely by private donations and this golf tournament.

The price per golfer is \$90, which includes cart, green fees, lunch and refreshments on the course, longest drive and closest to the pin contest, prizes, and prime rib dinner after golf. If you will not be able to golf, but would like to attend dinner, the cost is \$35.

The committee is also looking for businesses to sponsor holes. Sponsorship of a hole is \$100 and a sign noting you as a sponsor will be provided and placed in a prominent spot on the golf course.

"D.A.R.E. is a powerful tool in the war against drugs and violence here in Agawam," stated Officer Gallerani. "We hope you will help us keep this program going because it is important to our children's future."

Entry deadline is August 2nd. The course can accommodate a limited number of foursomes and it will fill up very quickly, so register today.

For more information, call Officer Gallerani at 786-4768.

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## Agawam's Teddy Bear Pools Baseball Team



TEAM MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM BOYS' baseball team sponsored by Teddy Bear Pools took time out for a team photo on July 5th. Back row, from left - Coach Paul Federico, Brian St. Jean, Tony Leclair, Coach Murray Pearson, Jay Sirois, Mitch Wilson, Shawn Biebel, and Coach Ken Kelleher. Front row - Corey Federico, Jessie Kelleher, Derek Mercadante, Jack Pearson, John Marcotte, and Jason Malanson. Missing - Brian Checile, Mike Martin, and Nick Griffin. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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The entry deadline is July 27, 1996. The field is limited, so register early! Singles and pairs will be matched up.

The dinner banquet fee for non-golfers is \$20, and the cost for tee or green company sponsors is \$50.

For an application form and/or more information, contact Fitness First Health & Fitness Center, 60 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA 01030, (413) 786-1460.

## Fitness Room At AHS Has Summer Hours

Beginning July 8th and continuing through August 16th, the Fitness Room at Agawam High School will be opened from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for high school students.

## Advanced Girls' Soccer Set For July 13th & 14th

UMASS women's coach Jim Rudy and Agawam boys' coach Dwight Northrup will conduct an advanced girls' soccer camp on Saturday and Sunday, July 13th and 14th. The hours are 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., and the cost is \$25.

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## Outdoors New England

by Kent Servis  
Outdoor Writer

### Starting That New Pup...

Now that your new puppy is home with his adopted family, it is time to start thinking about training the youngster for the type of hunting that you want to do.

There are many commands that the young pup must master before he or she can begin a career as a gun dog. Once the pup has learned its name, the single most important command it can learn is the command "halt" or "whoa."

The ability to stop a dog in its tracks can be more than just a convenience while hunting. It can save your dog's life, should the dog be tempted to cross a street or place itself in danger some other way.

The most effective way that I have found is to work the dog on a check cord of at least 20 feet. Give the command to halt and abruptly stop the dog from further progress. Through sufficient repetition, the dog will learn the meaning of the command. Many owners tend to put in more "whoa" than "go," so be prepared to incorporate this into the dog's training and not make it an exclusive activity.

Since bird hunters, as well as others using a dog for hunting, will at some time be shooting over or near the dog, preventing gun shyness is of paramount importance. Don't start off by exposing the dog to gunfire. Start off with the young pup being exposed to other noises.

At feeding time, bang some pans together or generate some sort of loud commotion just before offering the dog his dinner. After time, the dog will associate loud noises with something pleasurable. Be sure to praise the pup and show him extra attention when doing this.

As the young dog gets used to the noise, try graduating to a starter pistol and blanks. Do not try bringing the pup to the shooting range. There is a big difference between the intensity of a shotgun blast and the sharp report of a high-powered rifle. Your dog has a much keener sense of hearing than you do.

Above all, remember that this should be a fun activity for both you and your new hunting companion. Patience and repetition go a long way during the training process. Don't forget that a young dog will become tired or bored with long training sessions, and you must keep your level of frustration in check as well.

There are many books and videos on training gun dogs, and spending some time reading and watching the step-by-step instructions are well worth the time. Whatever time you invest at this most critical phase of the young dog's training, will pay dividends in the future.

Some folks just don't have the time to devote to the proper training of their dogs. Fortunately, there are several trainers and handlers who specialize in the training and handling of gun dogs.

Check the yellow pages and look under kennels and shooting preserves in several outdoor magazines and newspapers. Be prepared to spend ("invest" is a more reasonable word when explaining to your spouse) some money if you choose this route. The trainer will most likely be a full-time professional dog handler. The trainer can also objectively evaluate whether or not this particular dog has what it takes to get the job done. That is an evaluation that many owners are not able to make objectively.

There is nothing quite like the teamwork and special sense of pride that goes with watching a good gun dog working a field. Staunch to point and steady to wing and shot, a well-trained bird dog eagerly awaits your command to gently retrieve the downed game and bring it to your hand.

Regardless of the breed or whether you are looking for a rabbit dog, a coonhound, or a bird dog, training pays off. Enjoy the experience and have a safe and prosperous week.

#### FISH REPORT

**CONGAMOND LAKES** — Kurt at Saunders Marina on Congamond Lakes reports that anglers are concentrating on the lake's healthy bass

population. With increased boat activity and warmer waters, the fish have moved to deeper water. Plastic worms, jigs, and tube lures seem to be working well. The one exception to the deep water pattern is that a few really large bass have been taken from the very back edges of the lily pad fields on weedless frogs and pork frogs fished on a weedless hook rig.

**CONNECTICUT RIVER** — The Connecticut River has continued to produce some nice smallmouth bass. The fish have been holding on the bridge foundations and along the outer edges of the established weed lines. Small crank baits and jigs have accounted for the majority of the fish.

Other notable action has been on catfish. Eel heads, shrimp, large dead shiners, and Berkley Catfish Power Bait have been producing well. Night fishing for schoolie stripers continues to be productive. While working the edges of the deeper creek channel, try trolling or casting grub and leadhead combos.

**NOTABLE CATCHES** — George Powling of West Springfield landed a hefty walleye while fishing with yours truly. The walleye was 27 inches long fell for a white twister tail grub, and was holding just downstream from one of the bridge foundations.

#### SALT WATER

**THE RACE** — Boat anglers are taking keeper-sized bass and blues. The action should heat up even further in the coming weeks.

**CAPE COD AND ISLANDS** — Stripers dominate the scene with some real nice keepers being landed in the mid to upper 20's, and an occasional fish in the 30-pound-plus category. Surf fishermen are scoring from race point all along the outer cape. The usual horde of bluefish have failed to show up in numbers thus far.

**POINT JUDITH TO LONG ISLAND SOUND** — An abundance of stripers is providing most of the action. Some blues are being taken in the river mouths and on reefs and bars. Fluke action has picked up in the usual locations.

**OFFSHORE** — Charter captains are reporting increasing shark action, with blue sharks making up the bulk of the catch. A few makos are being taken and are providing some spectacular sport.

**NOTE:** If you are planning on booking a trip with any of the shark experts, don't delay! Many captains already have a full season booked.

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## Agawam Senior Games Athletes Do It Again!

Of the 33 ASGA members who competed in the Massachusetts 1996 State Senior Games, which were held June 14th through June 16th, 27 athletes won a total of 54 medals!

### \* BILLIARDS:

Paulene Paquett - Silver

### \* BOWLING (Candlepin):

Alice Bishop - Silver in Doubles

Victor Della Pegorara - Gold in Doubles; Bronze in Singles

Edna Duca - 2 Gold: Singles and Doubles

Ollie Muldrew - Gold in Doubles; 2 Silver: Singles and Mixed Doubles

Tillie O'Day - 2 Gold: Singles and Women's Doubles

### \* BOWLING (Ten Pin):

Chet Comins - Gold in Men's Doubles

Hal Devo - Gold in Singles; Silver in Doubles

Desiree Jacobs - 2 Silver: Singles and Doubles

Mary Knowles - 2 Silver: Singles and Doubles

Angelo Polumbo - Silver in Singles

Sandra Smith - Silver in Doubles

### \* DISCUS:

Vi Presz - Silver

### \* HAMMER THROW:

Carol Moran - Bronze

### \* JAVELIN:

Vi Presz - Gold

Rosellie Minardi (Associate) - Silver

Lena Peloquin (Associate) - Silver

### \* RACE WALK:

Rosellie Minardi (Associate) - Bronze

### \* RACQUETBALL:

Ted Cutler - Gold in Singles; Silver in Doubles

### \* SHOT PUT:

Lena Peloquin (Associate) - Gold

Vi Presz - Silver

### \* SHUFFLEBOARD:

Lorraine Bonic - Gold in Singles

Janice Bonk - Silver in Singles

Adrien Boucher - Gold in Doubles

Jeanette Boucher - Gold in Doubles

Emile Cote - Bronze in Singles

Ted Cutler - 2 Gold: Singles and Doubles

Hal Deyo - Gold in Mixed Doubles; Silver in Singles

Desiree Jacobs - Gold in Doubles; Bronze in Singles

Rosellie Minardi (Associate) - Gold in Singles

Lena Peloquin (Associate) - Silver in Singles

Vi Presz (Associate) - Bronze in Singles

### \* SWIMMING:

Harry Ingram (Associate) - Gold in 100 meter Breast Stroke; Silver in 50 meter Breast Stroke; Silver in 50 meter Back Stroke; Bronze in 200 meter Individual Medley.

### \* TABLE TENNIS:

Ernie Bouley - 2 Silver: Men's Singles and Doubles

### \* TENNIS:

Rudy Altobelli - 2 Gold: Singles and Doubles

Bill Hall - Silver in Doubles

Robert Jaynes - Silver in Doubles

All the above-named medalists now qualify to compete in the National Senior Games to be held in Tucson, Arizona in May 1997.

ASGA needs the financial support of Agawam citizens and businesses in order to defray expenses in getting your medalists to the Nationals in 1997. Your contributions can be mailed to: ASGA, c/o Agawam Senior Center, 68 Meadowbrook Manor, Agawam, MA 01001-3128.

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482 Glenn Griswold  
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426 Bobby Ermark  
422 Wayne Coury  
422 Gee Perry  
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396 Skip Breunig  
364 Chuck Docherty  
352 Brian Locke  
346 Joe Rzeszutek  
346 Tom Dileo  
336 Joe Czarnecki  
306 E.J. Legacy  
276 Roy Houle  
258 Johnny Severns  
258 Ernie Tarca  
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# Reggie Ruggiero Takes Down Modified At Riverside

In the Denny's Restaurant/ACME Auto Parts/A.C. Delco 100 at Riverside Park Speedway on Saturday, July 6th, **Reggie Ruggiero** started 15th and then took the lead from Richard Savary on lap 20. Reg's crew said he was as fast on the bottom as on the outside groove.

And it paid off in this Modified 100-lap special. Over 4,300 Winston race fans jumped up and down in their seats as Dan Avery pitted on lap 60 to put on fresh tires. Avery came back strong; still, with five laps to go, Dan Grasso spun as Avery moved in to challenge Ruggiero for the lead.

With a single-file restart, it was Ruggiero in control and Avery all over the leader. Nevertheless, "The Reg" was the first to cross the finish line, even though this win (his fourth of the season) didn't come easy for the veteran driver.

Avery finished a strong second over Steve Park, Richard Savary, and Richie Gallup. Sixth through 10th went to Tom Jensen, Chris Kopec, Tony Papale, Ed Spiers, and Fran Principi.

The only severe problems in the event came when Scott Walker (while running up front) broke a suspension part to hit the wall hard in turn number four. Others having a tough night include Renee Dupuis, Ted Riggott, Frank Rocco, and Rob Sommers.

"The tires we ran, believe it or not, were last week's. We were going to pit for tires, and the crew timed me on every lap; I was just consistent on every lap. Dan (Avery) made a great choice to go for the tires — it almost worked," said Ruggiero with a smile.

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In the Denny's-sponsored Pro Stock 50-lap feature, Doug Dell led for 10 laps as Jeff Baril took charge after that. Jeff Connors moved into the lead next and held on until the rear-end broke on a restart.

On the restart, Doug Dell took back the lead. Then, five laps later, it was **Tom Carey** flying on the top side of the track to move out front. Rookie Jeff Baril held on to third throughout the event as John Lobo applied heavy pressure.

At the checker, it was Tom Carey (Mark Salamone) for his second win of 1996. Second went to Doug Dell (Quinco Racing), third was Jeff Baril, fourth was John Lobo (Wagner Rug), and fifth was Fran Colson. Unfortunately, a post-race inspection ultimately disqualified Baril.

Rounding out the top 10 for the Pro Stocks were Tom Fearn (Porter-Chester), Barry Gray (Yankee Energy), Jim Mavlouganis (In A Flash), Jay Miller, and Jeff Horn (Willington Plaza).

"We are back. I thank the fans for sticking with my team. This is a homemade car and it works. I want to give credit to my crew and Mark Salamone Law Offices," said the popular Carey after the race.

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The Late Model feature went green to checker without a hitch. **Todd Owen** wasted no time in his Wood Construction car to set a good pace to win the feature.

Coming in second was Brian Locke, who had his best race ever; he drove a smooth race as Tom Dileo came from the middle of the pack to finish third. Fourth went to Skip Brunig, and fifth was earned by Ken Marques.

Sixth through 10th in the Late Models were E.J. Legacy, Bob Ermark, Glen Griswold, Keith Minchella, and Ted Chalmers.

"We haven't been having any luck during the last two weeks. Forget about points — I need and want to win races," said the young and talented Todd Owen. Incidentally, this victory put him back in the lead for this division.

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The girls can be proud of **Rosi Hall**, the veteran female driver. She won her first feature ever in the Strictly Stocks.

Rosi pulled away from the competition in the

Dino's Seafood machine, and Todd Malvezzi ran a strong second over Scott Bergenty, Keith Carzello, Patrick Townsend, and Chris Valerio.

Rounding out the top 10 were Glen Reilly, Pat Krenshmen, Jon Waterhouse, and Jim Sommers.

It was a popular win for the popular Rosi Hall, and her husband, mother, and father were on hand to congratulate her.

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**Joe Bates** won the Legends car feature, followed by Dan Case with a good second-place finish. Third was Byron Chew, and fourth was Fred Vordemier.

Over 50 Legends cars showed up for this special event.

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July 7th was "Fireworks Sunday" at Riverside Park Speedway, and this particular evening of racing featured eight divisions in a thrills spectacular format that drew 6,108 fans.

Of course, **George Savary** won again in the Pro 4 Modifieds, and 15 year-old **Zak Sylvester** won in the Mini Stocks.

Defending champ **Mark LaJoie** dominated the Super Stocks, and **Don Adams** won the TQ Midgets. That still wasn't all — **Dennis Charette** won his third Strictly race, **Jim Ahearn** took the Rookie Legends victory, and **Brian Wittcamp** was the victor in the truck races.

In the only visit this year by the TQ Midgets, Don Adams survived several early cautions. Mike Tidaback moved in during the final laps, but he had to settle for second over early leader John Payne, Joe Lord, and Bob Smith. Sixth through 10th went to Jim Adams, Joe Payne, Jr., Don Zrinski, John Gambuti, and Brian McGowan.

George Savary is almost unstoppable in the Pro 4 Modifieds, and he came from mid-pack to dominate the event as usual. Ed Holewiak again put on a good battle while Ron Smith applied heavy pressure. At the checker, George Sherman, Joe Doucette, and Tom Gavine rounded out the top six; seventh through 10th went to George Ruff, Chris Osella, Mike Carey, and Mike Woodin.

Zak Sylvester (the "young one" at age 15) won his first Mini Stock race of the season. Driving from the 15th starting spot, he was hunted down in the final laps by Rob Barnes. Ace Johnson, this year's big winner, held off Dave Sullivan and Paul Krotochuil. Rounding out the top 10 were Cheryl Reilly, Tim Ferrenici, George Correra, Mike Noland, and Don Travaglin.

Mark LaJoie, the defending Super Stock champion, was a repeat winner over Craig Colli, Rick Charette, Jose Rodriguez, Keith DeSantis, Terry Pace, Scott Garrity, Norm Ashline, Dan Tiani, and Mike Tiani.

Dennis Charette won his third Strictly Stock feature over Mike Salmond in a close finish. Third was Chris Drouin over Todd Marvezzi and Jonathan Young. Sixth through 10th went to Tom Garrity, George Colton, Joe Kokoszka, Rick Leavitt, and point leader Pat Townsend.

A special "Rookie" race was held for the Legends, and it was won by Jim Ahearn over Chad Harrington, Jerry Crawford, Dan Cyr, and John Manafort.

**Ray Fahey** took the Police race win over Jay Drolette, Bill Koss, Mac Mailhot, and Jack Harris; Brian Wittcamp won the half-ton trucks over Bob Bellinger, Marty Kosakowski, and Dave Capriati; and **Monster Page** won the Enduro event.

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This coming Saturday, July 13th, Riverside will host the only 1996 appearance of the NEMA Midgets with the NASCAR Modified tour cars, Pro Stocks, Late Models, and Strictly Stocks. Then, on Wednesday, July 17th, the speedway will present the midweek "King of Beers 150" (rain date Thursday, July 18th).

For more information about these upcoming racing events, call (413) 786-9300.

## Special Midweek Race Is Slated For July 17th At Riverside Speedway

Riverside Park Speedway will be presenting the most unusual NASCAR Winston Modified tour race of the 1996 season. It is just not the traditional format that most promoters have taken.

There is a list of reasons why this has most promoters upset. Not only is the Wednesday, July 17th (rain date: the 18th), Modified Tour Race at Riverside one of the highest cash/short-track events of the season, but it's also one of the biggest bonus events ever on the tour.

Still, the key that has the competition smoking is the fact that Riverside Park will not be charging any car owner or driver a pit fee to get into this NASCAR Modified tour event. That's right — they will be admitted FREE on race day!

The second key point is a spectacular catered buffet for all the owners and the drivers' wives or girlfriends, as well the crews and the drivers themselves. This isn't a small-time function ... it's a FOUR-STAR function with an award-winning buffet. Again, this is all FREE!!!

The third thing is the perks in this event, and this list is growing every day. A \$3,000 "Snap-On" special cash award will be given during the feature event from the regional Snap-On dealers. Then there is a custom-designed NASCAR Modified fitted canvas car cover from Leisure Time Canvas (valued at \$400). And, don't forget that every car that pre-enters will get a family VIP ride pass for all the rides and attractions at Riverside Park for the day of the race (valued at \$400).

Still, there is a lot more. NAPA Auto Parts is posting \$1,500. Then there is the Budweiser heat bonus money of \$2,400, paying \$200 for first, \$100 for second, \$75 for third, \$50 for fourth, and \$25 for fifth.

Combine all this with the Busch pole awards that offer \$300 for fast time, \$200 for second, \$100 for third, and \$75 for fourth. The first car to break the track record will receive \$200 from Hoffman Olds.

What's more, this doesn't include any of the tour's regular bonus programs that will include Gatorade, performance awards, and many, many more. First will pay \$5,350; second, \$2,700; third, \$2,150; fourth, \$1,650; and fifth, \$1,300.

Still, the racers aren't the only ones to gain in this Riverside NASCAR Modified tour special on Wednesday, July 17th. Advance sale tickets are only \$20 each, plus free parking. At the door, the fans will only have to pay \$22.99 for adults and (as always) \$2.99 for kids 11 years of age and under.

Don't miss this exciting midweek event at Riverside Park Speedway, located on Route 159 in Agawam, MA. Call (413) 786-9300 for more information.

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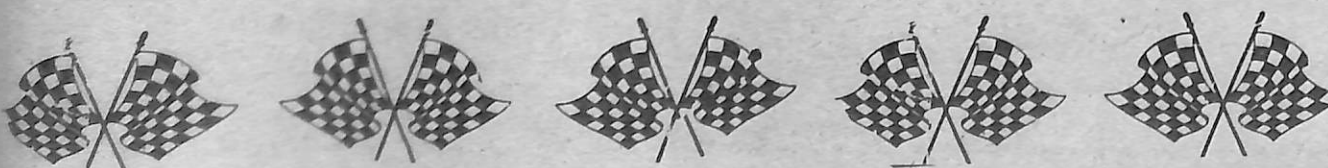
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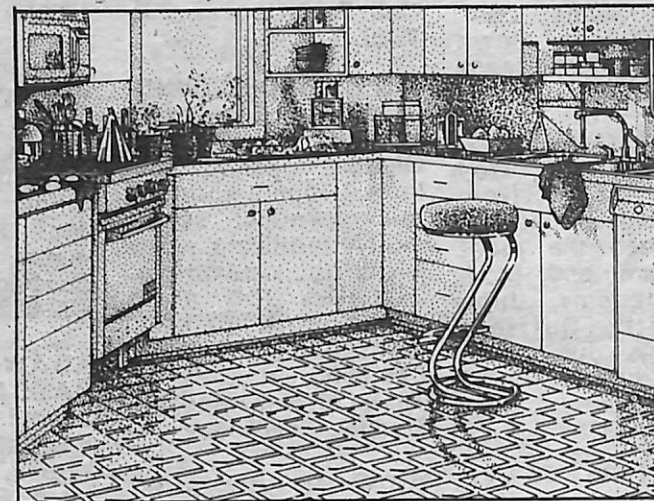
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